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To: Hernando County School Board Members
RE: WWHS FBLA Trip to the 2026 State Leadership Conference

October 29, 2025

Dear Hernando County School Board Members,

We are pleased to announce that the Weeki Wachee High School chapter of Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) will be attending the 2026 FBLA State Leadership Conference this coming March. This marks the third consecutive year our chapter has participated under the guidance of our current advisors, and we are excited to continue this tradition of excellence and leadership development.

Conference Overview

- **Location:** Hilton Orlando, 6001 Destination Parkway, Orlando, FL 32819
- **Dates:** March 12–16, 2026
- **Participation:** Students are expected to attend and actively participate in all scheduled FBLA events throughout the duration of the conference.

Student Expectations

All participants must follow the Hernando County School District Code of Conduct and the FBLA Student Contract. Students will remain on the hotel and conference grounds unless they are accompanied by an advisor.

Hotel Accommodations

FBLA chapters are required to stay at the host conference hotel, the Hilton Orlando. However, in the event the Hilton reaches full capacity, our group may be assigned to an overflow hotel within the official conference block. These overflow hotels are approved by FBLA and considered part of the conference lodging arrangements.

Transportation

- Transportation will be provided via HCSD school buses.
- Students must travel to and from the conference on the bus; no alternate transportation is permitted.
- Students may bring food to store in their hotel rooms, but all items must be packed and ready for loading on the day of departure.

Cost and Inclusions

The total cost per student is **\$500.00**, which includes:

- Hotel accommodations
- Round-trip transportation from WWHS to the conference
- Conference registration
- Two meals (one lunch and one dinner)

Students are responsible for all other meals. The hotel offers various dining options, and students may also bring snacks or meals from home.



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Fundraising Opportunities

Since August 2025, students have been actively fundraising to help offset the cost of the trip. We encourage continued participation in these efforts and welcome support from families and local businesses to ensure every student has the opportunity to attend.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please don't hesitate to contact us. We are looking forward to a meaningful and enriching experience for our students as they grow as future business leaders.

Thank you for your continued support.

Thank you,


Teresa Morris

WWHS FBLA Primary Advisor and CTE Instructor