California Future Business Leaders of America

Quick Reference Calendar for 2026-2027

July

July 3	CA FBLA Office Closed – Independence Day Holiday

August

August 1	Membership Year Begins; Chapter Affiliation Opens Champion Chapter – Summer Starter Begins (Summer Starter program runs August 1 – September 24) Business Achievement Awards Begins (BAA) Membership Leadership Council Applications Open
August 19	Adviser Huddle: Chapter Affiliation Process/BAM Adviser Conference/ Officer Adviser Training (OAT) Days/Leadership Development Institute Conference (LDI)
August 29	OAT Day for Southern Section at Orange Coast College (Costa Mesa, CA)

September

September 7	CA FBLA Office Closed – Labor Day Holiday
September 9	Membership Leadership Council Applications Close
September 16	Adviser Huddle: Chapter Affiliation Process/BAM Adviser Conference/OAT Days
September 18-19	BAM Adviser Conference at Hilton Orange County, Costa Mesa, CA
September 24	ACTE Conference Grant Stipend Application Closes Champion Chapter – Summer Starter Deadline (Summer Starter program runs August 1 – September 24)
September 25	Champion Chapter – Shaping Success Begins (Shaping Success program runs September 25 – November 5)
September 26	OAT Day for Bay Section at Homestead HS (Cupertino, CA) OAT Day for Central Section at Madera HS (Madera, CA) OAT Day for Gold Cost at Westlake HS (Thousands Oaks, CA) **(revised)**
September 27	OAT Day for Inland Section at Diamond Bar HS (Diamond Bar, CA) **(revised)**

October

October 1	Deadline to submit Affiliation and be eligible for a Chapter Support Grant Lead4Change Grant Cycle Opens (Grant cycle runs October 1 – June 1)
October 5	Leadership Development Institute Registration Closes Fall Stock Market Game Begins (Fall program runs October 5 – December 13)
October 12	Fall LifeSmarts Challenge Begins (Fall program runs October 12 – November 6) CA FBLA Office Closed – Indigenous People's Day Holiday
October 13	Fall Virtual Business Challenge Opens (Fall program runs October 13 – November 6)
October 19	OAT Day for Northern Section at The Barn at Meriam Park (Chico, CA) **(revised)**
October 21	Adviser Huddle: Chapter Affiliation Process/Leadership Development Institute Conference (LDI)

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November

November 2	Applications for Section and State Officers Open
November 5	Champion Chapter - Shaping Success Deadline (Shaping Succes program runs September 25 – November 5)
November 6	Champion Chapter – Service Season Begins (Service Season program runs November 6 – January 7) Fall LifeSmarts Challenge Ends (Fall program runs October 12 – November 6) Fall Virtual Business Challenge Ends (Fall program runs October 13 – November 6)
November 6-8	Leadership Development Institute at Hilton Los Angeles/Universal City, Universal City, CA
November 15	Dressed to Impress Scholarship Application Deadline
November 16	Southern Section Conference Registration Opens in Blue Panda
November 18	Adviser Huddle: Section Conferences/Chapter Support Grants/Competitive Events/ State and Section Officer Applications
November 26-27	CA FBLA Office Closed – Thanksgiving and Day After Thanksgiving Holiday

December

December 1	Section Conference Registration Opens in Blue Panda for: Bay Section, Central Section, Gold Coast Section, Inland Section, and Northern Section
December 2-5	ACTE Conference at New Orleans, Louisiana
December 9	Adviser Huddle: Contact assistantstatedirector@cafbla.org to schedule an appointment
December 11	Fall Stock Market Game Ends (Fall program runs October 5 – December 11)
December 18	Southern Section Conference Registration Closes in Blue Panda Applications for Section Officers Closes
December 25	CA FBLA Office Closed – Christmas Day Holiday

January

January 1	CA FBLA Office Closed – New Year's Day Holiday
January 7	Champion Chapter – Service Season Deadline (Service Season program runs November 5 – January 7)
January 8	Section Conference Registration Closes in Blue Panda for: Bay Section and Northern Section (at regular registration rate) Champion Chapter – CTE Celebration Begins (CTE Celebration program runs January 8 – March 4)
January 9	Champion Chapter – Champion Plus Begins (Champion Plus program runs January 9 – May 1)
January 15	Section Conference Registration Closes in Blue Panda for: Central Section, Gold Coast Section, Inland Section (at regular registration rate) and Northern Section (at late registration rate)
January 16	Southern Section Conference at Orange Coast College (Costa Mesa, CA)
January 18	CA FBLA Office Closed – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Holiday

January 20	Adviser Huddle: Chapter Affiliation Deadline/New Member Registration Deadline (FBLA Connect)/State Leadership Conference
January 22	Section Conference Registration Closes in Blue Panda for: Inland Section (at late registration rate)
January 23	Northern Section Conference at Trinity High School (Weaverville, CA)
January 25	Spring LifeSmarts Challenge Begins (Spring program runs January 25 – February 19)
January 30	Bay Section Conference at Dougherty Valley HS (San Ramon, CA)
	Central Section Conference at Redwood HS (Visalia, CA)
	Gold Coast Section Conference at Saugus HS (Santa Clarita, CA)

February

Career Technical Education Month

February 1	Affiliation Deadline
	Spring Virtual Business Challenge Begins (Spring program runs February 1 – February 26)
	Spring Stock Market Game Begins (Spring program runs February 1 – April 9)
February 6	Inland Section Conference at Los Osos HS (Rancho Cucamonga, CA)
February 7-13	FBLA Week
February 8	2027 State Leadership Conference (SLC) Registration Opens in Blue Panda
February 15	CA FBLA Office Closed – President's Day Holiday
February 17	Adviser Huddle: New Member Registration Deadline (FBLA Connect)/State Leadership Conference/National Leadership Conference/Champion Chapter (NLC)
February 19	Spring LifeSmarts Challenge Ends (Spring program runs January 25 – February 19)
February 26	2027 SLC Registration Closes in Blue Panda
	SLC Deadlines: Prejudged Materials, Production Test Request, and Membership Deadline (students in FBLA Connect)
	Spring Virtual Business Challenge Ends (Spring program runs February 1 – February 26)

March

March 1	Membership Dues Payment Deadline for NLC Competitors
	New Member Registration Deadline (All new members must be in FBLA Connect for NLC)
March 4	Champion Chapter – CTE Celebration Deadline (CTE Celebration program runs January 8 – March 4)
March 12	SLC Deadline: Production Test and Interview Material
March 14-16	Educating for Careers Conference at SAFE Credit Union Convention Center, Sacramento, CA
March 17	Adviser Huddle: State Leadership Conference/National Leadership Conference
March 19	Applications for State Officers Closes
March 26	All SLC Prejudged Finalists Posted
March 31	CA FBLA Office Closed – Farmworker's Day Holiday

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April

April 2	SLC Deadline: Objective Test Registration for Non-Finalists
April 9	Spring Stock Market Game Ends (Spring program runs February 1 - April 9)
April 12	SLC Objective Test Schedule Posted
April 14	Adviser Huddle: Contact assistantstatedirector@cafbla.org to schedule an appointment
April 15	Individual and State Projects Are Due National Leadership Conference Scholarship Deadline National Technical Honor Society Scholarship Deadline Distinguished Business Leader Scholarship Deadline
April 22-25	2027 State Leadership Conference at Downtown San Jose, San Jose, CA
April 25	SLC Scores and Rating Sheets Go Live in Blue Panda NLC Registration Goes Live in Blue Panda
April 26	2026 National Leadership Conference Registration Opens
April 28	NLC Interest Spreadsheets Deadline
April 30	NLC Deadlines: Competitive Events Corrections, Prejudged Materials and Blue Panda Registration

May

TBD	2027-2028 State Officer Retreat at Visalia
May 1	Champion Chapter – Champion Plus Deadline (Champion Plus program runs January 9 – May 1) Business Achievement Award and Excellence Award Submission Deadline for National Leadership Conference Recognition
May 4	2026 National Leadership Conference Registration Closes
May 7	Adviser Wall of Fame Nomination Deadline
May 19	Adviser Huddle: National Leadership Conference
May 31	CA FBLA Office Closed – Memorial Day Holiday

June

June 1	Lead4Change Grant Cycle Closes (Cycle runs October 1 – June 1) Adviser Huddle: National Leadership Conference/BAM Conference
June 18	CA FBLA Office Closed – Juneteenth Day Holiday
June 23-26	2027 National Leadership Conference at Columbus, OH (arrival June 22 and departure June 27)