

What I need from you and other parent notes:

1. Please sign and return the Permission/Medical Release
2. We are often asked, "What will my child be doing if they are a test taker and not a presenter?". Well, they have the luxury of having all of their pressure applied during the testing period. The juniors, sophomores, and freshmen will attend competitions and see how they are run to gain a further understanding of what is expected, to cheer on other TC presenters, and plan to compete in similar events in the future.
3. Also, please understand that your child will be supervised at all times during the conference. At NO time will your child be allowed to "wander" or "explore" without an adviser present. We will strictly enforce curfew as our state head, Monty Rhodes, has hired additional security guards that will help monitor during our state conference. We are in a very secure hotel...this is to ensure that all students, and advisers, are adhering to the rules of the conference.
4. It's always asked each year, but no parents are allowed at FBLA functions. Between students and advisers, our conferences are already at capacity with nearly 6000 in attendance. If you need me, for any reason, my cell phone number is 229-300-0871. Our hotel is Hyatt Regency Atlanta.

Food Money

Students will need to plan to bring money for: Thursday—Dinner (\$15), Friday—Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner (\$40), Saturday—Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner (\$40), Sunday—Breakfast & Lunch (\$25). These, of course, are recommendations and can be easily altered by bringing items for breakfast each day (which I do) and they will have multiple options for dinner each night.

Cellphones

If your child has a cellphone, please allow/require them to have it throughout the conference. Advisers will communicate through group text and calls as needed.

Packing Guidelines

THURSDAY:

- Student is allowed to wear casual attire on the bus ride up to Atlanta (Jeans, Leggings, Shorts, etc).

FRIDAY:

- Student will need at least one formal attire outfit to attend the events and competitions going on throughout the day. If your child is presenting on Friday, he/she will be in FBLA professional attire. Students need to expect to be in dress attire the entire day as we will have our opening ceremony Friday night that ALL students will attend. It is unlikely that informal attire will be needed this day.

SATURDAY:

- Student will need at least one formal attire outfit to attend the events and competitions going on throughout the day. If your child is presenting on Saturday, he/she will be in FBLA professional attire. Students need to expect to be in dress attire for our award ceremony this day (ALL students will attend). They may want one informal outfit for a possible mall trip this day.

SUNDAY:

- Student is allowed to wear casual attire on the bus ride up to Athens (Leggings, Jeans, Shorts, etc).

Inappropriate attire during the conference, for both men and women, includes:

- Jewelry in visible body piercing, other than ears
- Denim or chambray fabric clothing of any kind
- Backless, see-through, tight-fitting, spaghetti straps, strapless, extremely short, or low-cut blouses/tops/dresses/skirts...this means skirts/dresses need to be at least finger tip length.
- Sandals, athletic shoes, industrial work shoes, hiking boots, or over-the-knee- boots
- Athletic wear, including sneakers
- Visible foundation garments