

## 2022 ILLINOIS FBLA SLC CODE OF ETHICS—UPDATED 3/28/2022

The Illinois Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) looks forward to you attending the 2022 State Leadership Conference (SLC). To help the SLC run smoothly and be a positive experience for all attendees, the Illinois FBLA Board of Directors has instituted the following Code of Ethics (Code) for students attending the SLC:

1. Each student is required to attend all general sessions, workshops when they are not competing or campaigning, and all Illinois FBLA authorized social functions, including but not limited to the evening activities. **The entire conference is mask-optional in accordance with the guidelines provided by the State of Illinois for schools.**
2. Each student is required to wear appropriate business attire to attend all general sessions, participate in competitive events, attend workshops, attend the talent show, and visit the exhibit area. (See Dress Code in the Chapter Management Handbook). For evening activities other than Q&A, each student may wear casual clothes with the exceptions that the following clothing may not be worn: midriff-baring shirts, shirts that allow for the baring of cleavage, shirts or shorts that are very short, or shirts exhibiting drug-, tobacco-, nicotine, or alcohol-related images or otherwise conveying information in any way related to drugs, tobacco, nicotine, or alcohol.
3. Each student attending the Illinois FBLA SLC must notify her/his FBLA Chapter Adviser (Adviser), or the Adviser's designee, of her/his whereabouts at all times.
4. Each student must be in her/his hotel room with the door locked by 12:00 am (midnight). Unauthorized persons may not be in a respective student's room after curfew—unauthorized persons include but are not limited to students not assigned to the respective room and non-students without a legitimate reason for being there. Each student must remain quiet after midnight. Remember that the hotel has other paying guests. There will be security officers at the hotel for the safety of all SLC attendees.
5. The purchase, use, or aiding and abetting in the purchase or use of drugs not prescribed to a respective student by a physician, tobacco and tobacco-related products, other nicotine-related products, including but not limited to e-cigarettes, or alcoholic beverages is prohibited.
6. Talking is prohibited while a speaker is addressing the SLC, in general, or the student or her/his school as this reflects negatively on her/his chapter and high school.
7. The Area Enthusiasm Award will be awarded based on enthusiasm throughout the conference. However, ballgame-type cheers are prohibited at the Friday evening session.
8. Improper language usage, including but not limited to language usage that is vulgar or berates other persons, will not be tolerated at any time during the conference.
9. No headphones, cell phones, or any other hand-held electronic devices are allowed during competitive events. No headphones are allowed during the general sessions.
10. If a student attending the SLC needs toiletry items or extra towels, the student must contact her/his Adviser, not hotel personnel or anyone else. The student may not seek or request the items on her/his own.
11. The SLC hotel will only have the room and telephone listings by the name of the school and the Adviser. Therefore, if a parent needs to get in contact with her/his daughter or son, the parent must request that the hotel put the parent in touch with the respective Adviser, so that the parent may contact the daughter or son.
12. Any other activity that is unbecoming of a student will be deemed in violation of this Code.

Any student in violation of this Code will be reported to the Illinois FBLA Discipline Committee, as well as to her/his respective school. After timely review by the Illinois FBLA Discipline Committee, a student may be disqualified from competitive events and may also be forbidden from being involved in FBLA activities. Illinois FBLA reserves the right to notify law enforcement of conduct that warrants such notification.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, agree with this Illinois FBLA SLC Code of Ethics.

Student's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardian's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

(This signed Code of Ethics is to be maintained by the respective FBLA Chapter.)