

# Kansas Exchange

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## National Fall Leadership Conference in Cincinnati, OH

The National Fall Leadership Conference was held in Cincinnati on Nov. 9 and Nov. 10. The event officially started with the opening session on Nov. 9. However, Chapters were able to go on business tours and get acquainted with Cincinnati before the Opening Ceremony. The conference featured a Battle of the States competition after the Ceremony as well as many different workshops. The workshops focused on different aspects of being a successful leader in FBLA as well as in the Business place. The conference officially ended with the Closing Ceremony, but members got one more chance to socialize with their new friends at the Social. Overall, the conference was a great chance to network with others from around the country and to improve leadership skills.

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### Opening Ceremony

The National Fall Leadership Conference began with the Opening Ceremony. Members from across America were in attendance as the National Officers of FBLA and PBL, who were in attendance started the Conference.

The Keynote speaker of the Opening Ceremony was Byron Garrett. The dynamic speaker inspired the crowd, with his stories as well as his motto of "Whoop! Shut it down!" He also explained the importance of leadership in the workplace. Garrett has also written a book entitled the ABC's of Life as well as co-founded two charter schools. Garrett was also one of the semi-finalists to appear on "The Apprentice," but was not chosen to be on the show.

The Opening Ceremony started the event. Immediately following the Ceremony was the Battle of the States.



Dora Coehoorn, National PBL Secretary, speaks to the crowd during the opening session

### Battle of the States

The Battle of the States competition is a FBLA-PBL trivia type game which pits state against state. Eleven state chapters participated and Kansas was one of those states.

Members from Kansas who participated were Ryan Patterson, Clint Newton, and Joey Dempewolf. Each member had to answer a question and if they missed the question and another member got it right, they were out. Once there were only two states left the competition became a quiz bowl setting and the two remaining states got all their eliminated members back.

The questions were about anything from current events to FBLA-PBL History. Kansas was one of Top four states in the competition. Ryan Patterson was the last member from Kansas left in the competition. Overall, Kansas did well in the Battle of the States. Battle of the States conclude the night.



Clint Newton, Joey Dempewolf, and Ryan Patterson review the program before Battle of the States

### CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Dec. 20- State Officer Applications Due
- Jan. 5- State Officer Interviews/Board Meeting
- Jan. 9- CTSO Legislature/Citizenship Day

Visit Kansas FBLA's Website for updated information about Kansas FBLA: [ksfbla.org](http://ksfbla.org)

## NFLC

### Workshops

NFLC also featured many workshops for members to improve their leadership skills. The Conference had over 30 different workshops. Presenters from various states presented the workshops. Workshop topics ranged from “Business Etiquette” to “How to start your own business.”

The workshops covered a variety of issues. The majority of the workshops were held on Nov. 10, but some were also held on the 9th as well. Workshops on FBLA Trivia were also held, where members participating in the Battle of the States were recognized.

After each workshop members got the chance to network with other members and meet the presenters of the workshops. The workshops were successful and members gained valuable information and skills.



State Officers from Nebraska present a workshop on “Business Etiquette.”



These bins hold battery acid to support “Cincinnati Bell” when the power goes out.

### Closing Ceremony

The Closing Ceremony marked the end of the National Fall Leadership Conference. Awards were handed out and the National Officers recognized the States attending and the winner of “Battle of the States.”

Scott Seay of Build-a-Bear Workshop was featured as the keynote speaker. Seay is the President and Chief Operating Bear of the company. Seay talked about the importance of leadership in his job, and how he became successful.

Awards were also given out as Pleasant Ridge High School was recognized for their efforts. The Closing Session soon ended and was followed up by the FBLA social.

The closing ceremony ended the conference with a bang and inspired members.



Scott Seay from “Build-a-Bear Workshop” speaking during the closing session



Kansas FBLA State Officers holding the Sunflowers on stage after the Ceremony.

### Business Tours

Cincinnati is home to many businesses and business headquarters. Members got a chance to tour some of the local business to see how a company works.

Procter and Gamble’s headquarters was one potential business members could tour. The tours featured a variety of different types of businesses. Members got a chance to ask questions on the tours to find out more about how a company operates.

Cincinnati Bell, a phone company, was another tour opportunity. The members in this tour learned more about how a phone company transfers calls and continue to operate when the electricity is out.

The business tours were a great chance to learn about business and celebrate American Free Enterprise Day.

### Social

The FBLA Social was the last chance for members to network with others. The event offered many different chances to relax and have fun. Having fun is a part of leadership.

Members could play a basketball shoot-out against another, or play a round of ski-ball. Other activities included a Dance Dance Revolution game and an arcade type game in which members could earn small prizes. Tons of chocolate was also provided as Hershey’s donate chocolate to enjoy at the conference.

Kansas FBLA members returned home that night after enjoying the games and fun. The Social was the last event held at the conference and marked the unofficial end to the conference. It gave the members one last chance to converse with new friends.

## Letter from Kansas FBLA President, Clint Newton

Hello Kansas FBLA:

I hope everyone is doing well and is looking forward to the upcoming holiday seasons. At this time, Kansas FBLA has approximately a 10% increase in chapters for this year. We have 111 chapters, including two

at the middle level. This is a wonderful achievement for our state, as well as for nationals.

On December 14, state officer applications will be due to Connie Lindell for the 2008/2009 school year. Encourage your members to consider applying for a position if they are in the least bit interested. It has been a tremendous opportunity and learning experience for me, and I am sure your students will love the opportunities that arise from becoming a state officer, as well. We are definitely looking for a good team to continue leading Kansas throughout the next school year.

The Chapter Mentoring Program has been completed and has been emailed to each adviser across the state. Every first and second year chapter now has a more experienced chapter to help them with any questions they may have. Please take the opportunity to utilize the knowledge of your experienced chapter. They are there to help you better your chapter and improve upon its successes.

The year 2007 continues to be successful for Kansas FBLA so far, and I know it will only continue to grow and provide its members with even more opportunities than it presents now. Once again, please encourage your members to consider applying for a state office. If they have any questions, please contact me or any of the other state officers. We are always willing to help in any way we can. I hope your school year has gone great so far, and I wish you luck for the rest of 2007.

Sincerely,

Clint Newton  
Kansas FBLA State President




## Letter From the Mountain Plains Vice President, Fei-Fei Zhang

Greetings Kansas FBLA:

As 2007 comes to an end, I would like to commend Kansas FBLA on their incredible achievements in membership and community service this past year. I was pleased to see such a wonderful showing at the National Fall Leadership Conference in Cincinnati, Ohio in November, where Kansas made a powerful impression among the 2,000 conference participants.

With the latest issues of both the Reston Report and Tomorrow's Business Leader on the way, I encourage each of you to continue seizing the opportunities available through this organization. The Business Achievement Awards, for instance, are just one example of a wonderful chance to showcase your activity in FBLA.

The national officers and national staff have been hard at work providing recruitment tips and community service ideas to increase activity within your local chapters. Please take advantage of these resources and fulfill this year's theme of demonstrating leadership in action! It is an absolute honor to represent this state, and I look forward to your continued success as the journey continues into 2008.

Fei-Fei Zhang



## Business Achievement Awards

The FBLA Business Achievement Awards are a self-directed leadership program. The Awards are designed to allow members to better themselves in the areas of business, leadership and FBLA. Rewards are given to each member who completes a level.

The levels of the Business Achievement awards are: Future, Business, Leader, and America. Members begin with the Future level activities and work their way to America. Each level increases in difficulty.

The future award focuses on basic business skills, introduction to community service and FBLA involvement at the local level. Members are reward with a pin sent to the local adviser to

be presented at a local meeting. Some activities include scoring a 92% on the online FBLA test.

The Business level focuses on local and district/regional and state involvement; intermediate business skills; and leadership in the community. Pins will be sent to the local chapter adviser for presentation at a local awards ceremony or local FBLA event. a sample activity includes competing in a competitive event at a District or State Conference.

Leader is the next level of the awards. This award is a little more difficult. This award focuses on local, district/regional, state, and national involvement; advanced business skills; and community leadership. Names of

qualifying students and pins will be sent to the state chair/adviser to be presented at the state leadership conference. After achieving Leader members are also eligible for scholarships through FBLA's partners.

The last award is America. The award focuses on total association leadership, business skills, and involvement in community. Students qualifying for this award will receive pins at the National Leadership Conference.

You can start your journey through the levels today. There is no limit to the amount you can complete in a year. Talk to your adviser about setting up an account to begin your journey to the top of the Business Awards.

## Membership Awards

The FBLA Membership Awards are an effort to increase membership on the local level. There are many different awards available to both chapters and individual members.

The Membership Achievement Award is given to chapters who maintain or increase the amount of members in their

chapter. The deadline for this award is Apr. 1, and it meets one of the criteria for the Outstanding Chapter Award.

The 100 percent Class Participation rewards chapters who recruit 100 percent of a single class. The deadline is the same.

Members can also get the Membership Madness or Mem-

bership Mania awards. Membership Madness is accomplished by recruiting at least five new members. For Membership Mania members need to recruit at least 15 new members.

Membership is a key part FBLA. Forms for these awards are available on [www.fbla-pbl.org](http://www.fbla-pbl.org).

## FBLA Scholarships

Every year scholarships are given out to outstanding FBLA members who meet the requirements. Many of the scholarships are unique to FBLA members.

The FBLA Distinguished Business Leader Scholarship is

available to graduating Dues paid FBLA members who have achieved leader or America of the Business Achievement Awards. The award is a minimum of \$500 and each application must be accompanied by two letters of recommendation,

a resume and a cover letter.

That is just one of many different scholarships available. Some are even open to juniors and to specific colleges. Check the National FBLA Website for more information.

## District Competition

The District Competitions are right a round the corner. Jan. 6th marks the first district competition with District III.

Districts are a good time to meet the candidates running for District Vice-President. Districts allow you to get the chance to network with other members from around your area.

With many new competitive events, Districts offer a great chance to try something new or learn more about a particular profession or career.

You can also get the chance to compete in Competitive events and testing to get yourself ready for the State Conference as well as earn awards for finishing in one of the top spots of your event.

Districts are your chance to meet someone new and talk with FBLA friends. Prepare for your future in the event that interests you. District Competition is an all-around good time. Sign up with your FBLA chapter Adviser today.

### 2008 District Conferences

<b>Jan 26, 2008</b>	District I Conference	Galena
<b>Jan 21, 2008</b>	District II Conference	Jackson Heights.
<b>Jan 16, 2008</b>	District III Conference	Rossville,
<b>Jan 24, 2008</b>	District IV Conference	Clifton-Clyde,
<b>Feb 9, 2008</b>	District V Conference,	Canton-Galva
<b>Feb 2, 2008</b>	District VI Conference	Blue Valley West,
<b>Feb 7, 2008</b>	District VII Conference	Emporia State University

## New Competitive Events

Every year members and advisers get a chance to submit ideas for new competitive events. Whether they be tests, individual competitions, team or chapter competitions. This year the new events are:

- Client Service—individual, interactive simulation
- Desktop Application Pro-

gramming—individual, pre-judged program, performance

- Help Desk—individual, objective test, interactive simulation
- Computer Problem Solving—individual, objective test
- Internet Application Programming—individual, pre-

judged program, performance

- Management Information Systems—team, objective test, performance
- Personal Finance—individual, objective test

Visit the National FBLA website, [www.fbla-pbl.org](http://www.fbla-pbl.org) for more information.

## State Officer Applications and Interviews

Being a State Officer takes leadership, courage, and hard work. Officers first have to fill out an application accompanied by a resume, a cover letter and the FBLA test.

That Material was originally due on December 14th however due to inclement weather the deadline was pushed back to Dec. 20th. After submitting the

application potential candidates must be interviewed by the state officers at the January Board Meeting.

This year the Board meeting is on January 5th, 2008. The meeting and interviews will be held at Santa Fe Trail High School. If inclement weather becomes a problem, the meeting will be held on Jan. 12 at

SFTHS.

Being a State Officer is a lot of work and a lot of fun. You are rewarded for your hard work.

If you know someone who would make a great State Officer encourage them to talk to an Adviser about running for a position on the Kansas State Executive Board.

## FBLA-PBL Week

FBLA-PBL Week is the second week in February. During this week members and Advisers of FBLA celebrate FBLA and its achievements.

FBLA-PBL Week is a great chance to promote FBLA in your local communities and increase awareness in your High School. It

is a great opportunity to recruit new members, and raise money for organizations in your area.

Each chapter celebrates the week differently. Ideas for activities are to hold a secret FBLA member contest, to see if someone can guess which member is the secret member based off the clues. Hold-

ing a fundraiser for March of Dimes or other organizations is a great idea. The week is a chance for your chapter to help out and plan activities to reward your members.

FBLA-PBL Week is a great opportunity to get active in your school and promote awareness of FBLA in the community.

## LOCAL CHAPTER NEWS

### Marysville FBLA– Marysville High School

Marysville High School is proud to announce their new FBLA chapter. The chapter advisor is Mrs. Lynn Kracht. Mrs. Kracht is a business teacher at MHS, and is very excited about the new chapter.

Members of the new chapter must be enrolled in an upper level business class that is taught by Mrs. Kracht. The new chapter has 23 members.

The officers of the chapter are: Riley Russell, president; Jake Winkler, vice-president; Melissa Wassenberg, secretary; Kaitlin Frerking, treasurer; Angela Sutton, Reporter; Nick Fehr, Historian; Devin Seematter, Parliamentarian.

The chapter plans to attend the District IV conference at Clifton-Clyde High School.



*Members of the new FBLA Chapter: Marysville*

### Hanover FBLA– Hanover High School

2007-2008 School Year began in Hanover with a new teacher in the Business Department, thus a new FBLA Adviser. Our chapter now has 43 members, of which 8 are new members this year. Our membership recruitment is done by work-of-mouth among the students. We also recruit members by having an ice cream social at the start of the school year (this year during lunch) where our officers serve ice cream and toppings to all high school students and staff. During this time, current members recruit new members.

One member, Rashele Hynek

– President, attended the Leadership Conference in Manhattan this summer. This experience fine tuned her leadership skills and she is now doing an outstanding job as the chapter President.

Our Community Service Project (Trick-or-Treat for Canned Goods), held on October 29, was a huge success! We had the highest member participation in the chapter's history and collected over 890 food items for the local food bank. Members dressed like food and participated in a costume and most items collected competition.



*Members of Hanover FBLA dressed as Spaghetti and Meatballs.*

## Lyndon FBLA- Lyndon High School

By Ryan Patterson  
Lyndon FBLA Editor

Lyndon FBLA kicked off the school year with a sand volleyball tournament and cookout. This event gave new members a chance to interact with returning members and to see what FBLA is all about.

Six members and one adviser endured the long bus ride to Cincinnati, Ohio, for the National Fall Leadership Conference. While there they got the chance to put their leadership skills into action by attending workshops and listening to key note speakers. Atten-

dees also enjoyed touring downtown Cincinnati and the surrounding area.

LHS members learned more about free enterprise and capitalism while celebrating American Enterprise Day. Members competed to see who could be first to complete a crossword about the American enterprise system.

The Lyndon chapter is gearing up for a busy holiday season. A fashion show is being planned for December and proceeds will be given to the March of Dimes. Also toys will be collected to give to needy children in Osage County. Our final event for December will be a Christmas party



left to right: Stephanie Goetz, Ryan Patterson, Cierra Clark, Brody Herrick, Hannah Wilson, and Jenae Schmidt.

hosted by Mrs. Patterson for all local chapter members.

## Pleasant Ridge FBLA– Pleasant Ridge High School

By Devon Price, Editor

Pleasant Ridge High School FBLA held their 9th annual Spaghetti Supper fundraiser on October 19, 2007. It was a huge success serving 632 people. A total of \$3,047.00 was raised for the chapter. A silent auction was held at the supper raising \$708.52 for the ALS Foundation.

From November 8th through the 11th, twelve members from the high

school's Advanced Business class traveled to Cincinnati, Ohio to attend the National Fall Leadership Conference. The students attended many informational workshops, met people from around the nation, and enjoyed what Cincinnati had to offer.

The Pleasant Ridge chapter just completed a series of activities for the March of Dimes Premature Awareness Month. The activities raised \$287.00 that will be donated to the March of Dimes.



Members of Pleasant Ridge FBLA in Cincinnati, Oh.

## Santa Fe Trail FBLA– Santa Fe Trail High School

Santa Fe Trail High School had seven members attending National Fall Leadership Conference in Cincinnati, Oh. Members attending were: Rachel Roettgen, Hannah Kies, Michele Trejo, Krista Logan, Anna Schmidt, Caleb Offner, and Joey Dempewolf. Members were accompanied by adviser Connie Lindell. Members attend many informational workshops and Joey Dempewolf participated in "Battle of the States." The group also attended the "Cincinnati Bell" Telephone Company on a business tour.

On November 9, The Governor signed a proclamation proclaiming November 15, American Free Enterprise Day. Members also attended a meeting on Nov. 15 to celebrate American Free Enterprise Day.

On Dec. 6 our annual Winter meeting, SFT was greeted with a visit from Santa Claus, played by Joey Dempewolf. The meeting was held to discuss District VII sign up for competitions.



Members of SFT-FBLA touring Cincinnati Bell in Cincinnati, Oh

On Dec. 8th, 4 members helped children write letters to Santa Claus. Ms. Lindell's Business Classes are writing replies to the kids.

## Clifton-Clyde FBLA- Clifton-Clyde High School

By Jamie Long and Eric Wilson

On Sunday, September 30, 2006 Clifton-Clyde High School had its annual Walk A' Mania. It was held at both the Clifton-Clyde High School and the Clifton-Clyde Middle School from 2:00 – 4:00 P.M. There were fourteen grade school and middle school students who participated in the walkathon.

Overall the walkers raised a total of \$679.21. There was a new record set this year for the most laps walked; Mirra Flesher walked the most with 100

laps while Tanner Thompson was close behind with 95 laps. Baylie and Jaysie Bowser were the top sellers by each raising over \$100.00.

Jamie Long, Eric Wilson, and Dani Derusseau coordinated this year's Walkamania. Jamie Long, Nancy Long, Trevor Barnes and Chelsi Barnes helped work the event at Clifton. Eric and Laura Wilson, Bethany Branfort, and Mrs. Blaha, the F.B.L.A. adviser, were at the high school. We had a great time this year and hope your year is as successful.



Clifton-Clyde FBLA members at the Walkathon.

## Wamego FBLA– Wamego High School

### WHS FBLA Celebrates

### American Free Enterprise Day

On Thursday, November 15, Wamego High School Future Business Leaders of America conducted their first annual American Free Enterprise Day project. This event celebrates the right of Americans to free enterprise, and the ability to buy, sell, and exchange goods without governmental control. Members of FBLA have learned to protect this freedom, as the right to free enterprise is very close to their hearts.

The FBLA members at Wamego High School baked 36 dozen Otis Spunkmeyer cookies, and created trays that included a dozen of a variety of flavors. They then delivered the trays to a section of businesses in Wamego. This year, they focused on the Main Street businesses. Next year, they will deliver to a different group of businesses.

The students had a great time, and the reactions were very positive. The members of FBLA would like to thank all of the businesses in Wamego for everything they do for our community.



### WHS FBLA – Leadership in Action!

Wamego High School Future Business Leaders of America have started a new year, hailing Alex Bulk as President, Aaron Grunewald as Vice-President, Shaeleigh Neel as Secretary, Misty Cambell as Treasurer, Jameson Eichman as Student Council Representative, Sarah Van Petten as Historian, and Jason Smith as the Public Relations officer.

The new year was kicked off with an officer retreat to Carlos O' Kellys in Manhattan, on the 29<sup>th</sup> of August. There the officers, along with Karen Hynek, adviser, discussed and planned events and functions for the organization. Arrangements were made for the forming of committees, and events

*Pictured left to right: Shaeleigh Neel, Sierra Hodges, Cole Hemphill, Colby Botter.*



*Back Row: Jason Smith, Jameson Eichman, Alex Bulk, Aaron Grunewald*

*Front Row: Karen Hynek, Misty Campbell, Shaeleigh Neel, Sarah Van Petten*

were organized such as the Social Night, Community Service Project, BooGrams, American Free Enterprise Day project, and Adopt-a-Family Christmas project.

The Future Business Leaders of America are looking forward to the success of these activities, and overall, another rewarding and productive year.

## Jackson Heights FBLA— Jackson Heights High School

Community service has definitely been a highlight for Jackson Heights FBLA members this first semester. Recently the chapter organized a change drive in the high school to raise money for an AED (defibrillator) for each building. The chapter matched the amount of money raised and over \$100 was donated!

Several members of JHHS FBLA attended Emporia State University Business Career Day on October 10. The juniors and seniors traveled to Emporia for a day of college workshops and information to help them with their postsecondary education. Students returned with a wealth of information about various business majors available at ESU as well as job interview techniques.

To promote March of Dimes Awareness Month, members sold glow in the dark bracelets with funds going directly to the March of Dimes. Members' work to support the March of Dimes was doubled by MasterCard matching of donations. Public Service

Announcements were also read over the intercom by officers during November to promote awareness of the March of Dimes as well as a bulletin board that was on display in the commons area.

Five officers and one adviser traveled to Cincinnati, Ohio, for the 2007 National Fall Leadership Conference. Workshops and sessions were attended as the group particularly enjoyed the guest speakers at the general sessions. Good ideas were brought back to the chapter. Members also enjoyed the Newport Aquarium in Kentucky and seeing the big city sites!

To celebrate American Enterprise Day, Mike Tanking of Schlaegel's Popcorn was invited to the November meeting to discuss the advantages of being self employed. He discussed college, the popcorn side of the business and the accounting side of the business as well as the pros and cons of small business ownership. Mike helped members kick off the Schlaegel's Popcorn Christmas fundraiser by

explaining the process of planting, harvesting, and producing the well known popcorn.

Both the high school and middle school chapters are preparing to help others have a great holiday season. Food drives are underway for both Thanksgiving and Christmas. Members will have the opportunity to ring the bells for the Salvation Army in Holton and care packages will be sent to alumni and family members who are currently serving in Iraq.

The middle school FBLA chapter has just received its charter and is still growing! A charter ceremony and installation of officers is being planned to celebrate the new chapter. Members also sold March of Dimes bracelets and participated in the Schlaegel's Popcorn fundraiser. Students are also collecting items for the local food pantry and for the soldier boxes that are being sent to Iraq.

Happy holidays from the Jackson Heights FBLA chapters!

## West Franklin FBLA-Pomona High School and Williamsburg High School

West Franklin FBLA hosted a variety of Halloween activities this fall. McGruff reflective Halloween bags were distributed to elementary students, grades K-4, in the elementary schools in our district. The bags included trick-or-treat safety tips, and WFHS FBLA was listed as the sponsor. A safety brochure, developed by FBLA members, was included with each bag.

FBLA invited KAY and FCCLA members to participate in the first annual Trick-or-Treat Scavenger Hunt to collect nonperishable foods for local pantries. The night before Halloween, members traveled to different communities in the district and were successful in collecting over 40 sacks of food. The response from our communities was overwhelming. Members of the three organizations returned to the high school for a

jack-o-lantern carving contest and ice-cream treats. Foods were distributed between the Pomona United Methodist Church and Hope House in Ottawa. A fun Halloween activity included handing out glow in the dark teeth to all FBLA members with a note "Sink your teeth into FBLA!" FBLA recently sponsored a leadership meeting of all class and organization officers at WFHS. The meeting included an ice-breaker, a team building activity and a leadership self assessment. The group of student leaders received key chains with a key shaped charm reminding them that they are the "Key to Success" at WFHS.

Ten members of the West Franklin chapter joined the Kansas delegation in Cincinnati for NFLC. In addition to conference activities, the WFHS group touched sharks at the



*Members of West Franklin FBLA.*

Newport Aquarium and enjoyed a carriage ride around downtown Cincinnati.

The Blood Vessel was parked outside WFHS for the semiannual FBLA Blood Drive. Over 40 donors made the choice to save lives by their donation and received a t-shirt. Toys will be collected for needy children for Christmas and the chapter will join FCCLA and NHS for the annual night of caroling to the elderly in our community.

# The Kansas Exchange

## Article Deadlines

February 22, 2008	March 15, 2008	District Results National FBLA Week
April 11, 2008	April 25, 2008	State Results National Conference Plans

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If submitted by email, please attach the article as a Microsoft Word document. Any pictures submitted should be in jpg format. Please also include the names of the members in the picture and a description of what event the picture is from.

Feel free to contact me if you have any comments or questions regarding the Kansas Exchange or [www.ksfbla.org](http://www.ksfbla.org).

## **NEW CHAPTERS— HIGH SCHOOL AND MIDDLE LEVEL**

Congratulations to Marysville High School and Jackson Heights. They are the newest addition to Kansas FBLA as a new chapters. Marysville is lead by Adviser Lynn Kracht, Business Teacher at MHS, and President Riley Russell. The chapter already has over 20 members, and plans to attend the District VI conference at Clifton– Clyde High School.

Joining them as a new chapter is Jackson Heights, as a Middle Level Chapter. Jackson Heights already has a High School chapter and has now added the Mid-Level. Jackson Heights is one of only two Middle Level Chapters in Kansas, the other being Oskaloosa, which also has a High School chapter.

Congratulations to both chapters. The addition of these chapters have raised Kansas' Chapter membership by almost 10%. Continue the good work and continue to recruit new members and chapters.

