

FBLA FALL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (11/19/2021)



The FBLA Chapter of North Thurston Highschool got together this friday and attended their first Leadership Conference of the year. During the Zoom, we listened to our Keynote speaker, Alli Redd, and got some amazing advice as well as a lot of questions answered. Our Chapter created a first draft of an FBLA poster that included many benefits. The goal is for our poster to draw in many other students of North Thurston who are interested in joining. In the event, we got tips and advice from the State Officers on how to study and further our success for future competitions!

The Thurston Chapter did a fun activity that included finding uses and pitching ideas for normal things that can be used for a different use than intended. After breaking the team up into three groups, and coming up with ideas, the Blazer team won with the most ideas! They didn't get to present it to the other chapters in the virtual call, due to the limited time, but it was fun to watch the thought process and creative thinking of the group today!

For a fun kahoot, instead of doing the given game, we decided to play our own to help other members get to know each other better and increase team bonding. The game was super fun and competitive. It was enjoyable for all and our kahoot winner, Shyann Lahn, got a special christmas ornament for placing first! Great job!

We listened to a handful of previous competition winners and officers share their experiences with the regions. We got an inside look on 3D animation from Maggie Way, looking at designing, production, modeling, software, and more! Jean Lin, a first place national winner in an objective testing event, shared tips on planning, studying, and practicing testing skills for competitions with testing!

The last thing on the agenda was the Region Meetings which went smoothly! We discussed chapter of the month and member of the month, a program called Road To State that helps chapters stay focused on their State Leadership Conference and bond with their group members. Chapter Visits were announced during the meeting as well along with the FBLA Newsletter.

The Winter Leadership Conference's location and date is still to be determined, The State Business Leadership Conference will be held in Spokane, Washington in April 20-23, and the National Leadership Conference will be held at Chicago, Illinois in June 24-27. We hope to see all of our amazing Leaders there and welcome any other new members!

To end the successful conference, the Thurston FBLA ended the event with a pizza party with more fun games and cookies. It was such a great day and we can't wait for more fun experiences we'll experience through FBLA. Go Rams!

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