

GOLD SEAL CHAPTER AWARD OF MERIT

The Hollis and Kitty Guy Award recognizes outstanding local chapters that have actively participated in projects and programs identified with the goals of FBLA.

ELIGIBILITY

All active local chapters are eligible.

1. Each local chapter must submit a copy of the Local Chapter Annual Business Report and the nomination form to the state office to be **received by** March 18, 2016.
2. Each local chapter must be on record in the FBLA state and national offices as paying dues for at least five members by **October 19, 2015** of the current school year. Receipt of purchase orders will not be considered payment for this award.
3. Each chapter must meet a minimum of seven (7) suggested criteria listed under guidelines.

GUIDELINES

The suggested criteria for the Gold Seal Chapter Award of Merit should serve as a guide for the state office in the evaluation process. Criteria may include:

- Paid state and national dues by October 19, 2015 for at least five (5) members
- Conducted projects or programs identified with the goals of FBLA
- Sent representatives to FBLA conferences sponsored by the state chapter and national association
- Participated in the Business Achievement Awards Program
- Sponsored a new chapter or reactivated an inactive chapter
- Participated in state and national project(s) for the current year
- Planned and conducted visitations to business and industry
- Conducted financial development projects
- Invited businesspersons and other professionals to become involved in chapter activities
- Conducted a public relations program in the school and community and documented the activities with newspaper clippings and reports of radio/TV coverage
- Advisor is a member of Washington State Business Education Association (WSBEA)

Upon receipt of the entry form, the state office records will be audited for adherence to regulations.

STATE AWARDS The number of awards presented at the SBLC is determined by the number of nominations verified by the state office. **NATIONAL AWARDS** Washington State FBLA may enter up to 15 percent of its total active chapters for national honors. If more than 15 percent of total chapters are recognized at the state level, national entries will be determined by scores on the Local Chapter Annual Business Reports.

GOLD SEAL CHAPTER AWARD OF MERIT ENTRY FORM

1. Complete the information requested below.
2. Attach a copy of your Local Chapter Annual Business Report.
3. List the pages of your Local Chapter Annual Business Report that support at least seven of the following suggested criteria:
 - _____ a. Paid state and national dues by October 19 for at least five (5) members
 - _____ b. Conducted projects or programs identified with the goals of FBLA
 - _____ c. Sent representatives to FBLA conferences sponsored by the state chapter and national association
 - _____ d. Participated in Business Achievement Awards Program
 - _____ e. Participated in state and national project(s) for the current year
 - _____ f. Sponsored a new chapter or reactivated an inactive chapter
 - _____ g. Planned and conducted visitations to business and industry
 - _____ h. Conducted financial development projects
 - _____ i. Invited businesspersons and other professionals to become involved in chapter activities
 - _____ j. Conducted a public relations program in the school and community and documented the activities with newspaper clippings and reports of radio/TV coverage
 - _____ k. Advisor is a member of Washington State Business Education Association (WSBEA)
4. This form must be **received** no later than March 18, 2016 in the state office with your Local Chapter Annual Business Report.

School _____

Signed _____ Date _____
Local Chapter Advisor

Signed _____ Date _____
Local Chapter President