



# MERIT AWARD MIDDLE SCHOOL TRACKER

## Your Path to a Program of Work

The FBLA Middle School Merit Award is a membership-focused challenge that chapters may complete for national recognition. By completing activities, chapters work towards building a Program of Work. Added incentives such as ribbons at the national conference, and national recognition in publications. Plaques will be awarded at the FBLA National Leadership Conference to the top ten states and top ten local chapters based on the number of points and the quality of entries. Details on documents to upload for each activity and the submission form is located at [www.fbla.org](http://www.fbla.org).

### AUGUST 2022

- 1. Elect Officers (100)
- 2. Plan a "welcome back" event for members and prospective members (100)
- 3. Create a Membership Committee (50)
- 4. Create a Community Service Committee (50)
- 5. Design an FBLA T-shirt for your local chapter (50)

### SEPTEMBER 2022

- 1. Plan a chapter meeting (100)
- 2. Plan a recruitment drive (100)
- 3. Participate in the Fall Stock Market Game (50)
- 4. Host a trivia or game night for your members (50)
- 5. Design business cards for your members (50)

### OCTOBER 2022

- 1. Submit dues for at least 5 members (100)
- 2. Have at least 2 members sign up for a competitive event on the regional or state level (100)
- 3. Plan a community service project (50)
- 4. Plan a Member Appreciation Day (50)
- 5. Host a costume party/contest for members or have members trick or treat for canned goods (50)

### NOVEMBER 2022

- 1. Attend the National Fall Leadership Conference (100)
- 2. Plan an activity to promote American Enterprise Day (100)
- 3. Tour a business (50)
- 4. Invite a business guest speaker to one of your meetings (50)
- 5. Have your members wear purple for a day to promote March of Dimes Prematurity Awareness Month (50)

### DECEMBER 2022

- 1. Complete the Chapter Checklist (100)
- 2. Plan a community service activity (100)
- 3. Plan a social event (50)
- 4. Plan a joint activity with an FBLA chapter in your area (50)
- 5. Sponsor a competitive events study night (50)

### JANUARY 2023

- 1. Host a "bring a friend" meeting (100)
- 2. Have at least 2 members register for one of the levels of the LEAD awards (100)
- 3. Participate in the Spring LifeSmarts FBLA Challenge (50)
- 4. Discuss an article or story from *Tomorrow's Business Leader* at a chapter meeting (50)
- 5. Plan a fundraiser (50)

### FEBRUARY 2023

- 1. Plan activities to promote FBLA Week (100)
- 2. Participate in at least 1 panel or forum presented by the National Center during FBLA Week (100)
- 3. Ask your mayor to sign a proclamation for FBLA Week (50)
- 4. Write an article for *Tomorrow's Business Leader* (50)
- 5. Sponsor a "Dress for Success Day" where members dress in professional business attire (50)

### MARCH 2023

- 1. Meet or beat your membership numbers from the previous year (100)
- 2. Attend your State Conference (100)
- 3. Sponsor a themed movie night for your members (50)
- 4. Plan a literacy project (e.g., a tutoring program for elementary students, a book drive, or reading to elementary students) (50)
- 5. Plan an icebreaker for a chapter meeting (50)

### APRIL 2023

- 1. Have at least 2 of your members shadow a high school FBLA member for the day (100)
- 2. Have your officers make a presentation about FBLA-Middle School to a service club, class of upcoming middle school students, or school board (100)
- 3. Have the members in your chapter donate at least 10 hours of community service combined total (50)
- 4. Develop a video, regular scrapbook, or video scrapbook of your chapter activities (50)
- 5. Have at least one member shadow a businessperson for a day (50)

### MAY 2023

- 1. Sponsor an end-of-year celebration (100)
- 2. Invite your principal to attend a local chapter meeting or event (100)
- 3. Participate in a community project or help out a nonprofit such as an animal shelter, homeless shelter, etc. (50)
- 4. Have your officers write letters to government officials about the benefits of CTSOs and FBLA Middle School (50)
- 5. Sponsor an activity to either educate members or raise money for the March of Dimes, or a state or local charity or project (50)

### JUNE 2023

- 1. Have at least 1 member register for the 2023 FBLA National Leadership Conference (100)

**Atlanta, Georgia  
June 27-30, 2023**

### DUE: MAY 15

**MERIT Achievement Award  
1,500 Points**

- Digital Certificate

**MERIT Excellence Award  
3,000 + Points**

- Certificate at NLC
- Ribbons at NLC