National FBLA Events

Overview*:* These events have no regional or state components. Competitors are competing at the national level only.

Event	Individual or Team	Fall Challenge	Spring Challenge	Year-Long Challenge	Registration Required?
Life Smarts	Team of 2	Yes	Yes	-	Yes
Microsoft Office Specialist (MOS) Excel	Individual	-	-	Yes	Yes
Microsoft Office Specialist (MOS) Word	Individual	-	-	Yes	Yes
Virtual Business Management Challenge	Team of 2 or 3	Yes	Yes	-	Yes

Event Name	Type of Event	Specific Guidelines
Life Smarts	Team of 2	This event challenges students to integrate multiple areas of business knowledge and skills, using critical-thinking skills and teamwork during competition. Student teams will compete online during the fall and spring competitions. Teams will: • Register online • Compete individually, with both team members completing a 60-question quiz across all LifeSmarts topic areas • Demonstrate leadership by completing a team personal finance assessment • Complete a team consumer assessment • Receive a cumulative score after completing all activities • Be ranked against other participating FBLA teams **Fall Competition:** October 19, 2015 – November 13, 2015 **Spring Competition:** February 1, 2016 – February 26, 2016
Microsoft Office Specialist (MOS) Excel -- ***New!***	Individual	Students will take the MOS Excel 2013 Core exam at their schools or at test centers. FBLA student members must register as a Certiport Testing Candidate and take a Qualifying MOS Certification Exam to participate in the new Microsoft Office Specialist events. Students may take the test at the local level more than once. The top four participants scoring the highest and having the least time from each state in each exam are eligible for national competition.
Microsoft Office Specialist (MOS) Word -- ***New!***	Individual	Students will take the MOS Word 2013 Core exam at their schools or at test centers. FBLA student members must register as a Certiport Testing Candidate and take a Qualifying MOS Certification Exam to participate in the new Microsoft Office Specialist events. Students may take the test at the local level more than once. The top four participants scoring the highest and having the least time from each state in each exam are eligible for national competition.
Virtual Business Management Challenge	Individual or Team of 2 or 3 Members	• Web-based Virtual Business Management 3.0 simulation. • Test skills at managing a bike manufacturing business individually or as a team. • Event covers curriculum in the areas of Introduction to Business, Information Technology, and Management as students manage a simulated business. **Fall Competition:** October 19, 2015 – November 13, 2015 **Spring Competition:** February 1, 2016 – February 26, 2016

Microsoft Office Specialist (MOS) Word

Regulations

- *Refer to National Competitive Event Guidelines for description and procedures.*

A core-level candidate for the Microsoft Word and Excel 2013 exams should have a fundamental understanding of the Word and Excel environment and the ability to complete tasks independently. They should know and demonstrate the correct application of the principal features of the software.

Overview

Students will take the MOS Word 2013 Core exam or the MOS Excel 2013 Core exam at their schools or at test centers. FBLA student members must register as a Certiport Testing Candidate and take a Qualifying MOS Certification Exam to participate in the new Microsoft Office Specialist events. Students may take the test at the local level more than once. The top four participants scoring the highest and having the least time from each state in each exam are eligible for national competition. The qualifying tests have associated costs if your school doesn't have a site license to administer the MOS tests.

- Visit www.certiport.com.
- Login using your Username and Password.
- Select "My Profile" at the top margin of the Certiport page.
- Select the "Profile" tab.
- Ensure "Student" is selected under Status.
- CRITICAL: Select "FBLA" in the Student Organizations field.
- Click the "Submit" button at the bottom of the page

Students will be notified at the end of March if they qualify for the national events.

Final Onsite Exam

Qualifying students will take the MOS Word 2013 Expert or the MOS Excel 2013 Expert exam at the National Leadership Conference.

2015-16 MOS DATES:

September 1, 2015 to March 1, 2016

Competencies

For a list of the MOS Word Exam competencies go to www.certiport.com/MOS.