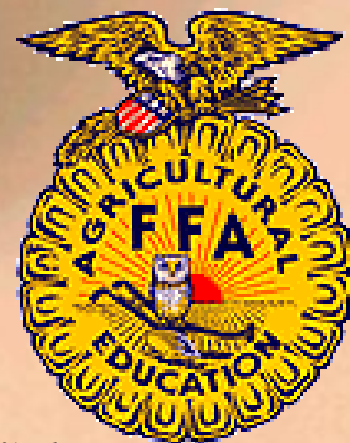


# CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS at Mt. Vernon Township High School



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# FBLA



- Future Business Leaders of America
- Affiliated with Business and Office Education
- First chapters started in the 1940s
- Post-secondary division is Phi Beta Lambda



- **Mission:**
  - The mission of FBLA is to bring business and education together in a positive working relationship through innovative leadership development programs.



# Web Links



- FBLA
  - [www.fbla-pbl.org/](http://www.fbla-pbl.org/)

# Membership benefits:



How do young people benefit from membership in the Career and Technical Education Student Organizations (CTSO)?

# Benefits of CTSOs



- Provides for personal development.
  - Young people grow and mature through CTSOs. These organizations help in the maturation process.



- Develops “people” skills that can be used throughout life such as learning to work in teams and how to set and achieve goals as a group.
  - CTSOs promote the development of interpersonal relationship skills.



- Develops leadership skills. Research has shown that membership in CTSOs develops leadership skills.
  - Members are more likely to be community leaders in the future.

# Benefits of CTSOs



- Provides for experiential learning.
  - In CTSOs students learn new information through a “hands-on” approach.



- Develops responsibility.  
CTSOs members learn to be responsible for their actions.
- For the organization to succeed each member has to do his/her part.



- Helps make learning fun. Not only is learning enhanced if it is experiential, it is also enhanced if it can be made enjoyable.
  - Many educational activities in CTSOs are fun; thus learning is improved.

# Benefits of CTSOs



- Home life is improved.
  - When students apply what they have learned in CTSOs at home, life is improved.



- Develops self-confidence.
  - When CTSOs members experience success in their endeavors, they gain a new sense of self-confidence in their abilities.



- Provides recognition.
  - Many young people have never won a single award or recognition. Through youth organization activities, young people have a chance to receive recognition. This is an important part of developing into a well-balanced individual.

# Benefits of CTSOs



- Provides a positive atmosphere.
  - Young people today come from a variety of backgrounds; not all of which are desirable or healthy.
  - The CTSOs often provides the only nurturing and positive atmosphere the young person will experience.



- Develops a sense of community and volunteerism.
  - Community improvement and development is a hallmark characteristic of CTSOs.
    - Through participation in these activities the young person learns that he or she is part of a larger community.



- Improves communication and decision making skills.
  - Public speaking and participation in meetings is encouraged in the youth organizations.
    - In these activities students learn to think on their feet and make quick decisions.

# Benefits of CTSOs



- Cultivate new friends and develop respect for others.
  - Life long friendships develop through CTSOs activities.
  - Young people also learn how to interact with their peers.



- Promotes career awareness.
  - By participating in CTSOs activities, young people become aware of new career opportunities.



- Learn to be more accepting of other cultures and diversity.
  - By participating in youth organization activities outside the local area, young people are exposed to different cultures.

# Benefits of CTSOs



- Develop parliamentary procedure skills and the ability to run a meeting.
  - No matter what a person does in life, a knowledge of parliamentary procedure and how to conduct a meeting are valuable skills.



- Develops skills and responsibilities associated with being a role model and mentor.
  - There are numerous CTSOs activities where older members work with younger members and elementary school children.



- Earn scholarships and money.
  - Through participation in CTSOs activities, young people have the opportunity to earn scholarships and cash prizes for their efforts.

# Benefits of CTSOs



- Fosters a sense of belonging.
  - It is human nature to want to be accepted. Young people want to be part of a group.
    - The CTSOs provide a much more desirable way to belong to a group than the alternatives such as gangs.



- Have the opportunity to travel.
  - Many young people, even in this day and age, go on their first real trip of first overnight trip away from home while participating in CTSOs activities.

# Interested?

- Interested in learning more or joining FBLA?

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