

# Dacula Middle School Future Business Leaders of America

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Dear FBLA Parent:

Thank you for allowing your student to participate in FBLA@DMS for the 2019-2020 school year! To start this year off with a bang, we would like to take some interested and committed members to the **Georgia FBLA Fall Motivational Rally held in Perry, Georgia on Thursday, October 10, 2019.**

The Fall Motivational Rally is a chance for our students to meet other students from around the state and become motivated to accomplish great things for the rest of the school year. The rally will be held at the Georgia National Fairgrounds with over 1,000 students gathering to hear a motivational speaker, meet the FBLA State Officer Team, and hear about all of the amazing leadership opportunities FBLA has to offer throughout the year. Once this general session concludes, the students will be released to go to lunch at the fair with a chaperone. **\$10 in food vouchers will be included. However, fair food is expensive so please send extra money if you know your child will have a hefty appetite and will need additional food.** Following lunch, students will have an opportunity to participate in Open Testing Events which allows them to view sample tests for the competitions which take place in December (region events) and February (state events). After testing, students may ride the rides at the fair if you choose to give them that option.

**Participating students MUST receive permission from each of their teachers in order to go on this field trip.** Teachers will give permission based on whether or not the student is keeping up with his/her work, passing their classes, and behaving each day in the classroom (see attached form). It is a privilege to go on an FBLA field trip so only those students who obtain this permission from their teachers will be able to attend. R.E.A.L. Falcons only please! :)

**Each student who attends will need to help our chapter with competitive events before attending the rally by participating in a chapter competition (T-shirt Design, Website, or Video).** Each student must also compete in open testing on the day of the rally. Details about all of these competitions are posted on our website (<http://www.keribethjones.com/fbla.html>) so please make sure you are willing to participate before signing up.

We will ride a GCPS school bus down to Perry for this trip and will leave at 5:45AM SHARP from the DMS Bus Lanes. **We will stop in Forsyth, GA to eat breakfast on the way down AND for a snack on the way back so students should bring extra money for those 2 stops.** The cost of this trip is **\$50.00 which includes \$10.00 in fair food vouchers,** transportation, registration, admission to the fair, an unlimited rides pass, and severe inclement weather insurance. If you wish to not ride the rides, the cost is \$35.00.

We will return to DMS around 7:00PM. I hope that you will allow your student to participate in this awesome motivational event and growing opportunity!

Thank you again for allowing your student to be a part of our great organization!

Sincerely,

Keri Beth Jones

<b>FBLA Fall Motivational Rally Tentative Agenda</b>	
5:45AM –	Arrive at DMS
	Board the bus and leave for Perry, GA
9:00 – 10:15AM	Registration
9:00 – 10:15AM	Turn in competition entries at the Arena
10:15 – 11:45PM	Motivational General Session (doors close promptly at the start of the program)
12:30 – 3:30PM	FBLA State Project Activities
12:30PM – Closing	FBLA Day at the Georgia National Fair
1:00 – 3:30PM	FBLA Team Open Events Testing
4:00PM –	Depart from the fair
7:00PM –	Return to DMS

**In order to attend, you must turn in your completed permission slip to Mrs. Jones or Ms. Lawrence AND pay online using MyPaymentsPlus by September 6, 2019.**

**A text will be sent as soon as the payment option is ready on MPP.**

**ONLY THE FIRST 40 MEMBERS TO SIGN UP AND PAY WILL BE ALLOWED TO GO!!**

**If you need the non-rides option, please pay Mrs. Jones. That payment option will not be online.**