

Dear Connecticut FBLA members.

1ST EDITION

I am honored to serve as your state president for the 2023-2024 school year. As we gear up for another exciting year of FBLA, I want to take a moment to welcome you all to the first edition of The Blue and Gold Brief!

In this edition, you'll find updates on our recent events, highlights of our members who attended the Spring National Leadership Conference, and some information on your state officers and council.

As we look ahead to the rest of the school year, I encourage you to get involved in your local chapter and take advantage of all the opportunities that FBLA has to offer. Whether you're competing in a competition, volunteering in your community, or attending a leadership conference, FBLA is a great way to develop your skills, build your network, and have fun along the way.

Thank you for your commitment to FBLA and I look forward to working with you all this year.

Sincerely,
Mya Blanco
Connecticut FBLA State President

# **GOODBYE AND WELCOME!**

As we close one chapter and begin another, we bid farewell to our outgoing officers and welcome our new officers and their respective councils. We would like to express our heartfelt gratitude to our outgoing officers for their hard work, dedication, and leadership during their tenure. They have made a significant impact on our organization and have set a high standard for our future leaders. We wish them all the best in their future endeavors.

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## **NATIONALS**

CT FBLA should be proud of the hard work and dedication that led to 15 schools representing the state at the National Leadership Conference in Atlanta. It's a great accomplishment to have so many schools from the state represented at such a prestigious event and next year we hope to have more!

I'm thrilled to announce that we had winners in several categories. Congratulations to Yahya Deggouj, Aarav Gupta, and William Snead from Westhill High School for placing 4th in Banking & Financial Systems. They have put in a lot of hard work and preparation to achieve such an impressive result.

Evan Russo from Cheshire High School placed 3rd in Economics. This is a highly competitive category, and it's a testament to Evan's dedication and talent that he was able to come out on top.

Finally, congratulations to Mikaela Franklin and Sokhna Gaye from Engineering and Science University Magnet School for placing 9th in Publication Design. This is a category that requires both creativity and technical skill, and it's clear that Mikaela and Sokhna have both in abundance.

Overall, these results are a testament to the hard work and dedication of CT FBLA members.

Congratulations to all of the winners and participants!



Mikaela Franklin and Sokhna Gaye with President, Mya Blanco

# **OFFICER VISIT**

On September 13th, I had the privilege of visiting Farmington FBLA, where I engaged in a productive meeting discussing meaningful plans and ideas. I had the opportunity to address questions and participate in insightful conversations. I express my sincere appreciation to the Farmington FBLA Econ board for their hospitality and commitment. As the CT FBLA President, I am honored to contribute to such a positive and inspiring partnership. Together, we are working towards achieving substantial progress and fostering a thriving FBLA community.

If your chapter is interested in receiving a visit from a state officer please feel free to contact us through social media or email.





# **BIOGRAPHIES**

### CT FBLA PRESIDENT

Name - Mya Blanco

Age - 17

Favorite color - Blue

Favorite Hobby - Reading

Favorite Sport - Golf

Favorite Animal - Panther



# PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL

Name - Casey Wang

Age - 16

Favorite Color - Blue

Favorite Hobby - Volunteering

Favorite Sport - Tennis

Favorite Animal - Tiger

# THANK YOU FOR READING!

Thank you for taking the time to read our very first edition! We hope that you found it informative, engaging, and enjoyable. Our goal is to provide you with valuable insights, updates, and news about CT FBLA and the work that we do. We are committed to keeping you informed and engaged, and we welcome your feedback and suggestions for future editions. Thank you again for your support and interest in Connecticut FBLA. We look forward to bringing you more exciting news and updates in the future!

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