



## Chapter Membership Application

2018-2019

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Develop Students' Potential**

Business Professionals of America (BPA) chapters excite students and get them plugged into an experience-based, co-curricular program. BPA is designed to take business and information technology skills from academic knowledge to real-world experiences and help educators make the classroom a motivating and interactive experience.

BPA Advisors and students work together in a mentor-based partnership. Members learn how to go from students to professional in their knowledge, skills, and abilities.

## **What is Business Professionals of America?**

The mission of Business Professionals of America is to contribute to the preparation of a world-class workforce through the advancement of leadership, citizenship, academic, and technological skills.

Business Professionals of America is the leading Career Technical Student Organization (CTSO) for students pursuing careers in business management, office administration, information technology, and other related career fields. BPA has 43,000 members in over 2,300 chapters in 23 states. BPA supports business and information technology educators by offering co-curricular exercises based on national standards.

The Workplace Skills Assessment Program (WSAP) prepares students to succeed and assess real-world business skills and problem-solving abilities in finance, business administration, management information systems, digital communication and design and management, marketing and communication. It is BPA's showcase program and facilitates students demonstrating their career skills at Regional, State and National level conferences in 86 competitive events.

BPA offers additional leadership and educational based programs including the National Leadership Academy, National Intern Program, Torch Awards Program, BPA Cares Program, Officer Elections, national partner opportunities, certifications and scholarships.

## Why Join BPA?

- Prepare for a world-class workforce
- Qualify for scholarships
- Make connections to the business world
- Hold an office
- Participate in democratic elections
- Publish in THE WIRE, a national online magazine
- Earn awards and recognition
- Gain industry certification
- Meet industry leaders
- Online professional development
- Access online resources via the SOURCE
- Resume Builder
- Travel nationally
- Participate in conference internships
- Meet nationally recognize speakers
- Individual service awards
- Qualify for national industry competitions
- Participate in the national College Fair
- Enhance public speaking skills
- Life-long learning
- Opportunity to participate in skills competition
- Become active in community service
- Meet people with similar interests
- Participate in conferences and workshops on Regional, State, and National levels
- Experience leadership development and team building techniques
- Experience personal and professional growth
- Lifetime opportunities

**Business Professionals of America  
Membership Application  
School Year 2018-2019**



**APPLICATION DEADLINE IS: Friday, September 28, 2018**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Student E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name and Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name and Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Cell Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Expected Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

**STUDENT'S SCHEDULE:**

| <b>Period:</b>  | <b>Class:</b> | <b>Teacher:</b> |
|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|
| <b>1</b>        |               |                 |
| <b>2</b>        |               |                 |
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| <b>7</b>        |               |                 |
| <b>8</b>        |               |                 |
| <b>Advocacy</b> |               |                 |

**EVIDENCE OF LEADERSHIP ABILITY IN SCHOOL, CIVIC,  
OR OTHER ORGANIZATIONS**

| Name of Organization | From- To | Office Held |
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**WHY DO YOU WANT TO BE PART OF BUSINESS  
PROFESSIONALS OF AMERICA? (MUST BE AT LEAST 5  
SENTENCES)**

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## **Dates to Remember:**

### **Membership Application Deadline:**

Membership Application is due Friday, September 28, 2018 for the 2018-2019 school year. No applications will be accepted after this day.

### **Regional Leadership Conference:**

January 19, 2019 at Kempner High School, 14777 Voss Rd, Sugar Land, TX 77498

### **State Leadership Conference:**

March 6-9, 2019 in Dallas, Texas

### **National Leadership Conference:**

May 1-5, 2019 in Anaheim, CA

## **2018-2019 Dues:**

Dues for the 2018-2019 school year are \$50. This money will cover your membership fee and the registration fee for the Regional Leadership Conference. Dues must be turned in no later than September 28, 2018.

## Expectations:

Students and Parents should expect:

- That the student will attend monthly BPA meetings.
- That the student will work a minimum of 15 hours per semester for fundraising.
- That the student will prepare for competitions a minimum of 15 hours prior to the Regional contest and 15 hours prior to the State contest.
- That the student will compete at regionals on January 19, 2019 at Kempner High School, 14777 Voss Rd, Sugar Land, TX 77498
- Student will participate in a Community Service Project
- FOR DISTINGUISHED MEMBER STATUS (SENIORS ONLY): Scholarship Opportunities and Graduation Cord (meet above requirements, plus)
  - Attend 90% of the meetings
  - Compete in the BPA Regional Convention and Competition
  - Be a member for two years or more

## Policies:

- If member misses more than 2 meetings, then he or she will be dropped from the BPA roll for the current year and will not be eligible to join until the next school year.
- If a member misses a meeting, then one hour will be added to either contest preparation or fundraising.
- If a member does not fulfill his or her obligation for contest preparation, fundraising or meeting attendance then he or she will be dropped from the roll.

## Standards of Conduct:

- HSLJ expectations from the Code of Conduct take precedence and are enforced!
- Take pride in the club...we are an elite organization. Please protect our reputation and privileges.
- We are a family! Treat others with respect and dignity.
- While individual work is necessary, working as a team is essential.
- Attendance and punctuality to meetings, fundraisers and contest preparation are paramount.

I \_\_\_\_\_, understand and will abide by the expectations, policies and standards of conduct for the HSLJ's Business Professionals of America.

Student Signature

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# BUSINESS PROFESSIONALS OF AMERICA CODE OF ETHICS

Name of Member: \_\_\_\_\_

As a member of Business Professionals of America, I understand and agree to abide by the Delegate Code of Conduct and all policies and procedures relating to officers and members as indicated in the Policies and Procedures Handbook. In addition, I agree to the following:

**I will:**

1. Follow instructions as directed by those in charge
2. Maintain a cooperative attitude
3. Maintain proper dress and good grooming on all occasions
4. Treat all members equally
5. Behave in a manner which conveys and commands respect
6. Maintain dignity while being personable, concerned and interested in fellow members
7. Respect curfew and stay in the hotel room that I am assigned (male and female officers are not to be in the same sleeping room at the same time).
8. Attend all sessions and activities assigned unless engaged in some specific assignment taking place at the same time
9. Keep the Chapter Advisor informed of activities and whereabouts at all time

**I will not:**

1. Use alcohol, drugs or tobacco while in attendance at any function concerning Business Professionals of America
2. Engage in any romantic activity with any other BPA member
3. Frequent any place or engage in any activities, which in any way could raise question as to my moral character
4. Use language that is not considered wholesome in any speech or informal conversation
5. Engage in any conversations that belittle or downgrade fellow Business Professionals of America members, officers, and/or adults
6. Be allowed in the rooms assigned to the opposite sex unless accompanied by your Chapter Advisor or designee

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Signature of Member

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Date

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Signature of Member's Parent/Guardian

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Date