

(500) Global Marketing Team

Description

Develop a marketing plan, following the guidelines outlined in the [Style & Reference Manual](#), that details pricing strategies and promotional plans for a business.

The completed plan should include, but is *not* limited to, the following:

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| • Title Page and Table of Contents | • Competition | • Methods of measuring success |
| • Synopsis or mini plan | • Marketing mix | • Works Cited |
| • Company goals | • Economic, social, legal, and technological trends | |
| • Description of customers and their needs | • Human resource requirements | Submitted separately during presentation ONLY: |
| • Description of pricing strategy | • Marketing timeline | • Supporting documentation (research, charts, brochures, etc.) |

Eligibility

Any secondary division student member may enter this event. A team will consist of 2-4 members. Members participating in national level competition must be registered for the event prior to submission deadline for technical judging. Teams must participate in both parts of the competition to be ranked.

Topic

Background - D'vine by Design is a local "fictitious" event planning company that specializes in organizing and managing corporate events, conferences, trade shows, weddings, and social gatherings. The company was founded in 2015 by Sarah Vine, an experienced event planner with a passion for creating unique and memorable experiences. Initially, the company started as a small venture, but through consistent dedication and hard work, it quickly gained recognition for its outstanding event management services. With a dedicated team of event professionals, a strong client base, and a positive reputation, D'vine by Design is considering expanding its operations to tap into new markets and increase its profitability.

Task – D'vine by Design has hired your marketing team to identify expansion opportunities into a domestic U.S. city of your choice within one to three years, with a vision for future international expansion in five to seven years. Be prepared to defend your recommendations from a marketing standpoint.

Use the Marketing Plan format in the [Style & Reference Manual](#) and the rubric as your guide.

Teams who do *not* submit an entry that follows this topic will be *disqualified*. Any marketing plan submitted beyond the maximum number of pages will be *disqualified*.

Team must supply

Team may use a presentation device, projection equipment, product displays and props (product samples and promotional item), prepared posters, flip charts, easels, or graphs in presentation

Carry-in and setup of equipment must be done solely by the teams and take place within the time allotted

Team must bring all supporting devices (e.g., extension cords, power supply, etc.)

No Internet access will be provided on-site at NLC; however, teams may provide their own access to be used only for their presentation to the judges.

Business Professionals of America assumes no responsibility for hardware/software provided by the team.

Props or visual aids are allowed in this competition.

No equipment, supplies, or materials other than those specified for an event will be allowed in the testing area.

No previous Business Professionals of America tests and/or sample tests or facsimiles thereof (handwritten, photocopied, or keyed) may be taken into the testing area. Violation of this rule will result in disqualification.

Competencies

- Develop a written marketing plan
- Communicate research in a clear and concise manner both orally and in writing
- Identify and utilize internal and external resources
- Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of management and international business concepts
- Demonstrate successful price selection methods, including the reasoning and method(s) used in determining the price
- Identify customer base including consumer and organizational markets
- Identify customer relations or markets
- Illustrate fundamentals of consumer behavior in different cultures
- Explore and expand customer base including demographics
- Develop promotional mix
- Demonstrate teamwork skills needed to function in a global marketing environment
- Demonstrate effective persuasive and informative communication and presentation skills

Specifications

- This is a pre-submitted event. See instructions for submissions.
- The team will develop a marketing plan and demonstrate oral communication skills.
- The marketing plan must *not* exceed ten (10) pages single sided (excluding the Title Page, Table of Contents, and Works Cited). The marketing plan must follow the Marketing Plan format in the [*Style & Reference Manual*](#).
- Any marketing plan submitted beyond the maximum number of pages will be *disqualified*.
- **Submit the URL to the completed plan and Works Cited in a combined PDF file to <https://upload.bpa.org> no later than 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time, on April 1, 2024.** *This is the deadline for the National Leadership Conference. Each Regional or State Conference may have specific deadlines prior to the National deadlines. Please consult the Regional or State Conference Administrator for Regional or State deadlines.*
- Members will receive an automated response confirmation at the time of submission.
- Individual conformation of receipt *cannot* be provided by the National Center.
- Member ID will be required for all submissions.
- No fax or mailed copies will be accepted.
- Multiple submissions will *not* be accepted.
- Only one (1) team member should complete the submission.
- No exceptions can be made for missed deadlines due to incorrect submission or technical difficulties.
- Materials from non-registered teams and/or those missing a chapter number *cannot* be accepted.
- No changes can be made to the project after the date of submission.
- One (1) copy of the completed plan and Works Cited must be presented at the time of the presentation at NLC at both the Preliminary and Final Competition.
- All materials (props, displays, samples, gifts, etc.), other than the required submission, may *not* be left with judges.
- It is the policy of Business Professionals of America to comply with state and federal copyright law. Federal law pertaining to copyright, as contained within the United States Code, is available at <https://www.copyright.gov/title17/title17.pdf>. The [*Style & Reference Manual*](#) contains guidelines for Copyright and Fair Use. Participant(s) will be *disqualified* for violations of the guidelines.
- Business Professionals of America grants permission for the use of the copyrighted logo and tagline.

Method of evaluation

Technical Scoring Rubric
Presentation Scoring Rubric

Length of event

No more than three (3) minutes setup
No more than ten (10) minutes oral presentation
No more than five (5) minutes judges' questions
Finals may be included at state and national levels

Entries

Each state is allowed three (3) entries

Judges' comments will be returned digitally through the online judging system at the national level.

Materials submitted for technical judging *cannot* be returned and will *not* be available at NLC.

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Judge Number _____

Team Number _____

Technical Scoring Rubric

Team Violated the Copyright and/or Fair Use Guidelines	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes (<i>Disqualification</i>)	<input type="checkbox"/> No
If yes, please stop scoring and provide a brief reason for the <i>disqualification</i> below:		
Team followed topic	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No (<i>Disqualification</i>)

Evaluation of written marketing plan	Below Average	Average	Good	Excellent	Points Awarded
Team submitted the correct information and in the correct format. <ul style="list-style-type: none">Marketing Plan and Works Cited - PDF format <i>All points or none are awarded by the technical judge.</i>				10	
Synopsis for business	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	
Company goals	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	
Description of customer needs	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	
Description of pricing strategy	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	
Competition	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	
Marketing mix	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	
Economic, social, legal, technological trends	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	
Human resources requirements	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	
Marketing timeline	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	
Methods of measuring success	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	
Overall appearance, conciseness, and completeness	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	
TOTAL TECHNICAL POINTS (230 points maximum)					

ANY MARKETING PLAN SUBMITTED BEYOND THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF PAGES (10) EXCLUDING TITLE PAGE, TABLE OF CONTENTS, SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION, and WORKS CITED, WILL BE *DISQUALIFIED*

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Presentation Scoring Rubric

Evaluation of Oral Presentation	Below Average (1-5)	Average (6-10)	Good (11-15)	Excellent (16-20)	Points Awarded
Content	The presentation demonstrates a limited understanding of the topic and includes mostly irrelevant or inaccurate information.	The presentation demonstrates a basic understanding of the topic and includes a mix of relevant and irrelevant information.	The presentation demonstrates a good understanding of the topic and includes mostly relevant and accurate information.	The presentation demonstrates an in-depth understanding of the topic and includes relevant and accurate information.	
Organization and Structure	The presentation lacks coherence, and it is unclear how each team member's role contributes to the presentation. Transitions between speakers are awkward or absent.	The presentation content has some gaps, and it is not always clear how each team member's role contributes to the presentation. Transitions between speakers are choppy.	The presentation content flows adequately, and each team member's role is mostly clear and integrated into the presentation. Transitions between speakers are mostly smooth.	The presentation content flows smoothly, and each team member's role is clearly defined and integrated into the presentation. Transitions between speakers are seamless.	
Delivery and Engagement	Speakers rarely maintain eye contact, use minimal gestures and body language, or have significant inconsistencies in tone and pace.	Speakers occasionally break eye contact, use limited gestures and body language, or have some inconsistencies in tone and pace.	Speakers maintain good eye contact, use appropriate gestures and body language, and vary their tone and pace adequately.	Speakers maintain eye contact, use appropriate gestures and body language, and vary their tone and pace effectively.	
Teamwork and Collaboration	Each member's role is unclear or not demonstrated. Transitions between speakers are awkward or absent, and the team does not provide support for each other.	Each member's role is partially demonstrated. Transitions between speakers are somewhat choppy, and the team offers limited support for each other.	Each member's role is mostly clear. Transitions between speakers are mostly smooth, and the team provides some support for each other.	Each member's role is clearly demonstrated. Transitions between speakers are seamless, and the team supports each other throughout the presentation.	
Answers to Judges' Questions	Responses lack depth and fail to demonstrate a comprehensive understanding of the topic.	Some responses lack detail or clarity. The understanding of the topic is partially demonstrated.	Responses are mostly clear, concise, and accurate.	Responses are detailed, insightful, and effectively address the judges' inquiries.	
Supporting Documentation	The team does not provide supporting documentation or the documentation is incomplete, inaccurate, or irrelevant.	The team provides some supporting documentation, but it lacks organization or relevance.	The team provides adequate supporting documentation that is generally organized and relevant to the presentation.	The team provides comprehensive and well-organized supporting documentation that is highly relevant to the presentation.	

Problem to Solution	The team fails to clearly identify and address the problem or present a viable solution. The problem-solution relationship is weak or absent.	The team identifies the problem and presents a potential solution, but the connection between the problem and solution lacks clarity.	The team identifies the problem and presents a viable solution. The problem-solution relationship is adequately established and logical.	The team effectively identifies the problem and presents a well-developed and innovative solution. The problem-solution relationship is highly compelling.	
Set-up lasted no longer than three (3) minutes - 5 points					
Presentation lasted no longer than ten (10) minutes - 5 points					
TOTAL PRESENTATION POINTS (150 points maximum)					

TOTAL MAXIMUM POINTS = 420

PRESENTATION WILL BE STOPPED AT TEN (10) MINUTES