# NLC 2024 Info Packet

Dear Parents:

We are planning a fun and exciting trip for all students. This is a great opportunity for them to learn more about leadership, people, and their professional area. We want your child to enjoy this time, however, we also want him/her to realize the responsibilities involved with being a competitor, a Business Professional, and a representative of the school.



There will be 10 students from Northwest/Colerain on the trip, including 4 students from Financial Services. Chaperones for the Northwest/Colerain students will be Mr. Clark, Ms. Hadsell, and Mr. Trentman.

Here are travel details for National Leadership Conference on May 10-14, 2024 in Chicago, IL!

#### **Transportation**

We be taking a charter bus to Chicago.

#### Hotel

We will be staying at the Hilton Chicago, 720 S Michigan Ave, Chicago, IL 60605.

#### Expectations: School rules/conduct code apply on trip

In order for the trip to be a success, there are some guidelines that your child must follow. Of course, he/she should be on his/her best behavior at all times – school rules/conduct code apply to the entire time we are gone. Attendance at all conference activities and appropriate attire is required. Your child has the responsibility of letting me know his/her whereabouts at all times. It must be remembered that we are a group and we act like a group – not individuals. If there are any problems, we will contact you immediately to discuss arrangements for your child's return (at your expense).

Please read the materials in this packet carefully and contact us with any questions – before or during the conference! In addition, please make sure you complete and sign the permission form.

Thank you, Mr. Clark

If you have any questions about this trip, please email me (clarkpv@butlertech.org). You may also text my cell (513-410-2080).



# **Important Information and Planning Tips**

# Trip Expenses: What We Pay For ...

Most of your expenses while on this trip will be paid for by Butler Tech. This includes registration fees, transportation, hotel, meals (breakfast, lunch, dinner). Please note that many conference expenses are non-refundable for Butler Tech; any student who backs out of attending Nationals after signing the permission form must reimburse Butler Tech for registration, lodging, and transportation expenses.

#### **Your Expenses**

You will be responsible for paying the cost of any fun activities and tours we sign up for as a group.

#### **Miscellaneous Expenses**

You will also need to pay for any extra snacks and drinks that you will purchase on the trip. In addition, if you choose to eat a meal on your own (without Mr. Clark), you will be responsible for paying. If you want to purchase souvenirs or go shopping while in Chicago, remember to bring additional cash. An approximate amount to consider for miscellaneous expenses is \$100.

#### Packing for the Trip

You'll be gone for 5 days and will need to dress for both casual and professional activities. Just make sure that you pack smart – don't bring your entire wardrobe!

## **Business Attire**

You will need to bring professional attire to wear while in Chicago for many of the activities. You will need to bring enough outfits to be dressed up for the following time periods:



- Friday 5/10 (State Meeting; Opening General Session)
- Saturday 5/11 (Competitions; Secondary Business Meeting/Caucus)
- Sunday 5/12 (Competitions; Honor Awards Ceremony)
- Monday 5/13 (National Showcase; Workshop; Grand Awards Ceremony)

You will need to dress for competitions, general sessions, and awards!!! See the itinerary for competition schedules.

Recommendation: instead of bringing 4 different formal outfits, bring 1 or 2 outfits and just change your shirt/blouse each day (and bring an extra tie or two in case of spills). Remember, you need to carry all your bags yourself, so pack smart!

## **Free Time**

There will be a lot of things that you can do around the hotel (pool, shopping, fitness center, restaurants, etc.) but we do not want people wandering. For your safety, we will have a number of rules to go over with you about where you can and cannot go. Always be safe and travel in a group. And most importantly, Mr. Clark should know where to find you at all times (a quick text in the group chat saying where you're heading will work wonders).