

# Social Media Award Application

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#### **Purpose**

To encourage local chapters to become actively involved in the National Officer Team Social Media Challenges; and to encourage local chapters to publicize their local activities and events.

# **Eligibility**

All applicants must be in good standing with Business Professionals of America. This award is open to members in the Middle Level, Post-Secondary and Secondary Divisions. Business Professionals of America will be hosting a variety of challenges throughout the year in various social media outlets. Each chapter must fulfill at least three (3) of the activities and write an activity description for each using the online application (500 word maximum). Description must include a full description of the activities (what happened, how it went, who was involved) and links to chapter social media pages where the activities took place.

# These challenges are (must complete 3):

- 1. Join your National Officer Team as they host a Tweet-A-Thon, using "#BPAAIIDay".
- 2. BPA will be conducting a "Chapter Social Week Challenge" in November. Members are encouraged to participate in social events together as a chapter. These challenges will count toward Torch Award points. Multiple challenge activities will be announced on the BPA national social media sites. Chapters will complete multiple challenges which will then be documented through photography or videography and can be submitted to the National Facebook Page or Twitter account using "#BPASocial".
- 3. BPA will be conducting a "BPA Week Challenge", which will consist of different "challenges" each day of the week beginning the second full week in February, coinciding with BPA Week. Members will document completion of challenges through either photography or videography submitted to the National Facebook Page or Twitter account using the hashtag "#BPAWeekChallenge".
- 4. In an effort to enhance your digital citizenship, establish a committee to complete the requirements of the "Social Media Etiquette" course sponsored by Next Step Academy. This committee should lead in a presentation that covers, but is not limited to, general etiquette of social media, being mindful of social media's impact, how to maintain a professional image on social media, etc.
- 5. In an effort to enhance your digital citizenship, establish a committee to complete the requirements of the "Social Media Essentials and College Admissions for Business Professionals of America" course sponsored by Social Assurity. This committee should lead in a presentation that covers, but is not limited to, general etiquette of social media, being mindful of social media's impact, how to maintain a professional image on social media, etc.

# **Guidelines and Application**

Applications must be submitted utilizing this form and submitted via the BPA Cares Submissions System at <a href="https://www.bpa.org/submit">www.bpa.org/submit</a>. NO E-MAIL OR MAIL APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED. Submission applications must include all activity descriptions. Partial applications will not be accepted or combined.

Applications due April 1.

# **Qualification Period**

Activities completed between April 2, 2017 and April 1, 2018 (11:59 PM EST) can be counted towards this award.

#### **General Information**

Applicants may only count activities once in the BPA Cares Award Program, except Service Learning Individual and Chapter Activities Award of Excellence.

Chapters may complete more than one activity to equal the total number of hours/dollars.

Activity descriptions cannot exceed 500 words in total.

All materials submitted become the property of Business Professionals of America and may be used as the National Center sees fit.

It is not necessary for a chapter to attend the National Leadership Conference to participate in the program and receive the award.

DO NOT SEND ANY AWARD APPLICATION(S) AS PART OF ANOTHER APPLICATION. AWARDS MAY NOT BE SUBMITTED WITH TECHNICAL PROJECTS FOR COMPETITIVE EVENTS. EACH AWARD MUST BE SUBMITTED SEPARATELY.

# Recognition

Chapters who complete a minimum of three (3) activities will receive a Certificate of Achievement. The top chapter in each Division completing the most activities will receive an Award of Achievement and recognition on stage at the National Leadership Conference.

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# **Non-Discrimination Policy**

It is the policy of Business Professionals of America that no person on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin or ancestry, age, sex, marital status, sexual orientation, or disability shall be discriminated against, excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to, discrimination in any program or activity for which it is responsible.

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# **Application**

Chapter ID:	Chapter Name:
Submitted by:	
Number of Chapter Members Pa	rticipating:

Activity #1 (descriptions cannot exceed 500 words in total):		
Activity #2 (descriptions cannot exceed 500 words in total):		
Activity #3 (descriptions cannot exceed 500 words in total):		
Activity #4 (descriptions cannot exceed 500 words in total):		

Activity #5 (descriptions cannot exceed 500 words in total):		
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Activity #6+ (descriptions cannot exceed 500 words in total):		