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CA FBLA Members and Advisers,

Last night, California Governor Gavin Newsom ordered a statewide shelter-in-place effective immediately, and with no specific end date. This order is to help “flatten the curve” of managing the spread of the Coronavirus, COVID-19.

As this order was being proclaimed by Governor Newsom, members of your CA FBLA Board of Directors were engaged in a scheduled conference call to discuss, among other agenda items, the newly laid plans for a Virtual SLC experience for our members and advisers.

After an extensive discussion around the newly imposed shelter-in-place order on all Californians, the various limitations of involvement placed on teachers/advisers by their school districts and school sites, and the reality that the resources necessary to execute a virtual model of the CA FBLA SLC could not be proven to be equitable for all CA FBLA members, the Board concluded it could not ensure an equitable competitive opportunity for all. Although the CA FBLA Management Team’s plan to execute an opportunity for CA FBLA members to showcase their knowledge and skill was well thought out and admirable, the Board could not support the Virtual SLC plan and voted to cancel the CA FBLA Virtual State Leadership Conference. This was not an easy decision, but there will be no CA FBLA State Leadership Conference in 2020.

We also realize there are some items that cannot be executed and addressed due to this cancellation. Some of the items we are still evaluating processes for are CA FBLA state officer elections, distribution of BAA and State Project awards, State and Section Officer Summit Training, and the National Leadership Conference (in whatever form that will be). As we work through these items, and perhaps others that will come up, please continue to check the CA FBLA website.

These are certainly unprecedented and challenging times. Once this passes and schools are open and functioning on a regular basis, CA FBLA will once again provide quality conference experiences for our members and advisers.

To our graduating seniors – it is unfortunate that you will not have a culminating CA FBLA State Leadership Conference experience, but we trust you will take your experiences from your time with FBLA and do great things in your future.

Sincerely,

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