

If you are interested in becoming a member of Business Professionals of America, complete and return to the contact or location indicated.

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Grade/Semester		
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Who can join?

Business Professionals of America is for any student enrolled in a business, office, or business education course or program in a secondary, middle level, or post-secondary institution. Chapters are located in high schools, middle schools, area career/technical schools, post-secondary technical institutes, junior and community colleges, colleges, and universities.

What is the purpose?

The purpose of Business Professionals of America is to prepare students for the business workforce through the advancement of leadership, citizenship, academic, and technological skills. By integrating its programs into the business classroom, BPA builds leadership, professionalism, poise, dependability, patriotism, and competency in business students.

Involvement as an active BPA member is rewarding experience for business education students. Through this involvement, lasting relationships will be developed with community business circles, and members will be given exposure to potential employers.

Opportunities for having fun, visiting new exciting places, experiencing new activities, and growing both personally and professionally is what BPA is all about.

What do members do?

- Members learn how to work effectively with others and to learn and understand the needs of employers.
- Members demonstrate occupational and leadership skills in the Workplace Skills Assessment Program contests.
- Members prepare for their roles as citizens through leadership

- development, activities, workshops, and conferences.
- Members serve their community by helping the underprivileged, ill, orphaned, elderly, mentally disabled, and unfortunate.

How can you become involved?

BPA Programs

Business Professionals of America provides recognition of individual members and chapters for involvement in a variety of programs designed to develop personal, leadership, business, and office skills.

Workplace Skills Assessment

The program measures business and office skills, leadership abilities, and/or chapter team efforts. Contests are offered on the regional, state, and national level.

Conferences

State and National Leadership Conference participation is a key event for BPA members. These events include

- Leadership development,
- Travel
- Contests
- Sightseeing
- Making new friends
- Networking
- Running for office

Special Recognition Awards

There are 14 Special Recognition Awards designed to provide individual or chapter recognition. Recognition is awarded at the National Leadership Conference. Here are just a few:

Torch Awards Program

This is a four-level personal achievement program (Executive, Diplomat, Statesman,

and Ambassador). Members are recognized for their involvement in community service and many BPA-related activities on the local, state, and national level.

Community Action

This award encourages members to become involved in the betterment of their community.

Entrepreneurship Exploration

This individual recognition award is provided for learning about the role of the business owner in our free enterprise system.

Special Olympics

Chapters are encouraged to assist in this national service project. Financial support or personal assistance is offered to support the participation of the mentally challenged athlete.

BPA offers training for these jobs and more!

Accountant Administrative Assistant Administrator **Business Owner** Communications Specialist Computer Analyst Computer Programmer Data Communications Technician **Data Entry Operator** Hotel Manager Legal Assistant Medical Assistant Office Manager **Network Administrator** Public Relations Specialist Word Processing Specialist