

HAPPY MONDAY ALL. I LOVE FALL...

- **REGISTER YOUR CHAPTER.** Go to <http://www.registermychapter.com/bpamem/> You can find step by step directions on how to register at: bpamt.org, under the Advisors tab and then in the advisor manual under tab 2, Online Membership Registration Instructions. Early registration deadline is November 1. National dues are \$12.00 and State dues are \$8.00 per member
- **DESIGN CONTEST DEADLINES.** The trading pin design and conference logo design (formerly program cover design) contests are open for your students to submit to. Please see the attachments detailing both of the contests. Designs are to be submitted to Nicole Bogunovich at bogunovichn@billingschools.org by October 26, 2016
- **BPA CONTACT INFORMATION.** Attached is a listing of BPA Chapters and Advisors for 2016-17 by Region and a spreadsheet with contact information for advisors. Please let me know if there needs to be any corrections or additions. Excited to welcome Drummond High School and Granite County High School as NEW Chapters. We also have a few new advisors--welcome aboard! Hoping to see BPA grow with more new chapters in the next few weeks.
- **FALL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE.** Registration has closed for the 2016 Fall Leadership Conference at Fairmont on October 2 and 3. A schedule of events will be included in next weeks Monday Messenger. Dress is casual. Remember registration fee includes conference activities, hotel rooms on Sunday evening, dinner on Sunday evening and breakfast on Monday.
- **BPA Student Certification Series to Launch Online on October 18.** Are your students ready to take BPA to the next level! Then they are ready to join us for the BPA Student Certification Series! The Student Certification Series is led by the National Officer Team and is

designed to prepare new members for success in their BPA membership and retain existing members through supportive training materials resulting in success in their BPA membership. Students completing the course will be recognized at the National Leadership Conference with a ribbon and pin. Additionally, students completing the optional Next Step Academy webinars will receive an electronic badge from Next Step Academy. The Series consists of six (6) online courses and corresponding assignments. Have your students join over 250 distinguished BPA student members and register today! <http://www.bpa.org/membership/StudentCert>

- **MONTANA TEENPRENEUR CHALLENGE.** One Montana, a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization based in Bozeman with a mission to create a vibrant Montana by connecting rural and urban communities. *Montana Teenpreneur Challenge* is an offshoot of the organization's highly successful Rural-Urban Student and Entrepreneur Exchange program. Purpose: *Montana Teenpreneur Challenge* is a statewide contest open to all high school students and designed to celebrate their skills as business developers, real-world problem solvers, and persuasive communicators. With a purse of \$2,500 in prizes for students with compelling ideas for new products and services and for those who already operate small businesses, One Montana seeks to shine a spotlight on our state's next generation of entrepreneurs. Teachers and adult sponsors of winning entries will also receive prizes. A panel of Montana entrepreneurs will select 1st Prize and Honorable Mention in each business category, and all Montanans will have the opportunity to vote for a People's Choice Award. Dates: October 1-Online contest platform opens, December 1-Contest closes, December 15-Winners announced Additional contest information: Click on the *Montana Teenpreneur Challenge* link at www.onemontana.org or email us at Challenge@OneMontana.org

Have a great week all. I will be attending Region 7 and Region 6 Fall Advisor Meetings this week. Remember to let me know if there is anything I can do for you!



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