**Beta Shop**
The online shop for everything Beta! We offer Beta branded clothing, school gear, graduation supplies, induction materials, and much more! Check it out at a state convention or visit shop.betaclub.org

**Beta Week**
This event is held the first full week in March. It is a celebration and acknowledgment of the contribution National Beta has on the lives of its members. Each year, the National Office releases a guidebook to help you plan an awesome week with your fellow Betas.

**Beta Year**
July 1-June 30

**Charter**
The process of completing an online application and submitting national dues, with at least 5 members.

**Club**
Group through which affiliated Beta Club members conduct meetings, develop and conduct projects. Must consist of at least one sponsor and at least 5 individual members.

**Co-Sponsor**
An educator, administrator, parent or community member that assists with club function.

**Competitions**
24 areas for Senior Beta; 21 areas of competition for Junior Beta offered at State and National Conventions.

**Convention Handbook**
The multi-page online document that details all guidelines for the state and national convention.

**District of Distinction Award**
Presented to school districts that offers Beta to all eligible grade levels in all eligible schools within the district

**Elementary Beta**
4th-5th grades

**Founder’s Day**
This event is held at the end of October. It is an opportunity to celebrate our motto “Let Us Lead by Serving Others” and we encourage you to serve your school and community. A theme and t-shirt are created for this event and we flood social media with acts of kindness.

**G.O.L.D Key Award**
Presented to any club that increases convention attendance by 10% with at least 20 attendees.

**Hall of Fame Service Award**
Celebrates those projects that go above and beyond to benefit your school, community and even state. Only one Junior Beta and one Senior Beta club is selected each year.

**Induction Ceremony**
A special time for your new Beta Club members to be recognized in front of their peers, teachers, and family.

**John W. Harris Educator of Excellence**
Honor Beta Sponsors who are committed to Beta Club growth, who also include members from all eligible grade levels in their Club, participate in National Beta events with their students and commit to service within their club.

**John W. Harris Leadership Award**
Award that recognizes members who best exemplify the ideals of leadership. 5 Junior Betas & 5 Senior Betas chosen nationally following the sponsor nomination process.

**Junior Beta**
6th-8th grades

**Leadership Camp**
This Junior Beta program is held during the summer in Greeneville, TN and is designed to develop student-leaders, foster team building, goal-setting, communication skills and more. In addition, participants experience hands on learning with activities such as canoeing, archery, obstacle courses, and more.

**Leadership Conference**
This Senior Beta program is held during the summer in Washington, DC. The Leadership Conference is designed to develop student-leaders, foster team building, collaboration, communication, and more. In addition, participants meet with legislators on Capitol Hill to advocate for service learning and National Beta.

**Leadership Representatives**
Students selected at Leadership Summits that qualify to apply for National Leadership Summit.

**Leadership Summits**
These 1-2 day, regional events engage members in a comprehensive leadership curriculum and provide resources to take back to each club. Through various exhibitions and challenges, participants learn more about collaboration, communication, and critical thinking.

**LINK Mentor Program**
The LINK mentoring program allows you to connect with a purpose by sharing the benefits of National Beta with other schools and earn funds for your chapter. Credits can be earned through your mentee starting a new club or attending convention.
Marketeer Award
The LINK Mentor Program was designed to help National Beta clubs earn funds while sharing the benefits of National Beta with other schools. The Marketeer Awards recognize sponsors and states that help establish clubs through this program.

National Beta Club Scholarship
12th grade students who are active National Beta members are eligible to apply and participate in this opportunity. Over $300,000 is given each year. Details are released on November 1 and winners are selected in May.

National Board
Governing body of National Beta which consists of the Chairs of each State Council.

National Convention
A nationwide event where clubs participate in qualified competitions and elect National Officers. Location varies each year, which allows students, sponsors, and guests a wonderful opportunity to travel. In addition, they attend General Sessions and meet fellow Betas from around the country to form valuable connections.

National Officers
Members first elected as state officers, then elected to serve nationally.

National Sponsor
Serve as support resources for all sponsors; coordinate Leadership & Convention events.

New Member Handbook
An important tool created to help you at your Beta Club meetings. If you are looking for curriculum for your meetings, this is a great place to start! Also check out our companion guide for sponsors.

Officers
Students appointed to lead at the state, national, and school levels.

School of Distinction Award
Presented to a school that shows 10% increase in membership from one Beta year to another.

School of Merit Award
Presented to a school that offers Beta to all eligible grade levels within the school.

Senior Beta
9th-12th grade

Service Hour Award
Celebrates Beta clubs that knock service out of the park! Clubs that reach a distinct service level will receive an award for their club and members.

Service Hours
A record of time committed to performing community service. Hours may be submitted via the Service Hour Tool on the Sponsor webpage.

Social Media Award
Honors the clubs that best use social media platforms to communicate the mission of National Beta in a fresh and innovative way. Winners are selected by division for their best use by platform and best overall.

Sponsor
An educator that advises and guides member involvement.

State Convention
Eighteen states across the southeast and Midwest, conduct a state-wide event for members, sponsors and guests to attend. At this annual event, members participate in competitions and elect state officers, which, if won, qualify them to compete at National Convention. In addition, they attend General Sessions and meet fellow Betas from around the state to form valuable connections.

State Council
Governing body of each states’ Beta Clubs which consists of current and/or retired administrators from that state.

State Officers
Members elected at each state convention to serve their state.

State Sponsor
Individual selected by sponsors within his/her state to serve a 2 year term to coordinate state convention.

Summer Leadership Scholarships
Each year National Beta’s Alumni Association gives free scholarships Camp and Conference for 4th-11th grade Betas. This covers transportation, meals, lodging, transportation from the airport (if applicable), and a dinner cruise (Senior only). Details are released each winter and winners are selected in March.