

CIRCLES OF EXCELLENCE

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| Parameters for Period 4 | How to Earn a Point |
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| Participated in at least one trade show (Regional or National in Mar/Apr) | Register for an online trade show or live trade show on Marketplace Tools |
| Submitted a written business plan* | Submit a written business plan as part of the National Business Plan Competition or through the Written Business Plan Submission Form. Firms that submit a written business plan and do not qualify for the NBPC will receive 2 points. |
| Qualified for the National Business Plan Competition (NBPC) | Received notification from Regional Team on qualification |
| Received Top 20 Recognition for the NBPC | Advanced to the Semifinal Round of the NBPC |
| Qualified for the National Marketing Competition | Received notification from National Team on qualification |
| Qualified for the National Human Resources Competition | Received notification from National Team on qualification |
| Qualified for the National Finance Competition | Received notification from National Team on qualification |
| Processed at least one Payroll (Mar/Apr) | Submit payroll to employees through the Firm Bank Account |
| Processed at least one Rent payment (Mar/Apr) | Submit payment to VE Realty (Account #630907080) through the Firm Bank Account or notify RD of rent payment to a VE firm |
| Processed at least one Utilities payment (Mar/Apr) | Submit payment to VE Utilities (Account #630907072) through the Firm Bank Account or notify RD of utilities payment to a VE firm |
| Proof of sales made by the firm to individuals or other VE businesses | Evidence of sales in the Firm Bank Account |
| Evidence of student transactions (purchases made in Mar/Apr with 80% of the students making at least one transaction) | Student purchase product/service from another firm through their Personal Student Bank Account |
| Submitted the 941 Withholding Payroll Tax Form (Mar/Apr) | Submit the <u>941 Withholding Payroll Tax Form</u> |
| Processed the 941 Remittance payment (Mar/Apr) | Submit 941 remittance payment to VE Payroll Tax (Account #630907102) through the Firm Bank Account |
| Submitted the Sales Tax Form (Mar/Apr) | Submit the <u>State and Local Sales Tax Form</u> |
| Submitted the Sales Tax Payment (Mar/Apr) | Submit sales tax payment to VE Sales Tax (Account #630907099) through the Firm Bank Account or notify RD firm does not require sales tax |
| Used TurboTax to file 1040 Income Tax Form | Submit evidence of TurboTax usage through Personal Income Tax - Form 1040 |
| Completed at least one international transaction (incoming only) | Evidence of sales with a firm outside of the United States in the Firm Bank Account |