

# 2023 - 2024 Chapter Handbook



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**POSSIBILITIES**

**FCCLA**<sup>®</sup>  
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The Texas Association of Family, Career and  
Community Leaders of America presents this handbook of  
information to the members of the organization at the local,  
region, state, and national levels.

# WHAT IS FCCLA?

FCCLA is a national Career and Technical Student Organization (CTSO) for students in Family and Consumer Sciences (FCS) education in public and private school through grade 12. FCCLA offers intra-curricular resources and opportunities for students to pursue careers that support families. Since 1945, FCCLA members have been making a difference in their families, careers, and communities by addressing important personal, work, and societal issues through Family and Consumer Sciences education.

Today, more than 235,000 student members are active in over 4,900 chapters across 46 states, the District of Columbia, the American Virgin Islands, and Puerto Rico. The work of FCCLA helps students and teachers focus on a variety of youth concerns, including parenting, family relationships, substance abuse, peer pressure, sustainability, nutrition and fitness, teen violence, and career preparation in four specific Career Pathways. Involvement in FCCLA offers members the opportunity to expand their leadership potential and develop skills for life—planning, goal setting, problem solving, decision making, and interpersonal communication—necessary in the home and workplace.

Any student who has taken a course in Family and Consumer Sciences, or as determined by the state department of education, middle school through grade 12 is eligible for active membership in an organized FCCLA chapter within their school.



## CREED

We are the Family, Career and Community Leaders of America. We face the future with warm courage and high hope. For we have the clear consciousness of seeking old and precious values. For we are the builders of homes, homes for America's future, homes where living will be the expression of everything that is good and fair, homes where truth and love and security and faith will be realities, not dreams. We are the Family, Career and Community Leaders of America. We face the future with warm courage and high hope.

## MISSION

To promote personal growth and leadership development through Family and Consumer Sciences education.

“Focusing on the multiple roles of family member, wage earner, and community leader, members develop skills for life through -

- Character development
- Creative and critical thinking
- Interpersonal communication
- Practical knowledge
- Career preparation

***FCCLA is the only student-led organization with the family as its central focus.***

## PURPOSES

1. To provide opportunities for personal development and preparation for adult life.
2. To strengthen the function of the family as a basic unit of society.
3. To encourage democracy through cooperative action in the home and community.
4. To encourage individual and group involvement in helping achieve global cooperation and harmony.
5. To promote greater understanding between youth and adults.
6. To provide opportunities for making decisions and for assuming responsibilities.
7. To prepare for the multiple roles of men and women in today's society.
8. To promote Family and Consumer Sciences and related occupations.

## PLANNING PROCESS



### **Identify Concerns**

Brainstorm for Ideas



### **Set A Goal**

Be Specific &  
Consider Resources



### **Form A Plan**

Who, What, When, Where, & How



### **Act**

Carry Out The Plan



### **Follow Up**

Evaluate, Publicize, & Recognize

## OPENING CEREMONY

**President:** Give a rap with the gavel signaling the officers and members to stand, then begins the meeting by saying:

"We are members of Family, Career and Community Leaders of America. Our mission is to promote personal growth and leadership development through family and consumer sciences education."

**Officers:** "Focusing on the multiple roles of family member, wage earner and community leader, members develop skills for life through character development, creative and critical thinking, interpersonal communication, practical knowledge and career preparation."

**Members:** "As we work toward the accomplishment of our goals, we learn cooperation, take responsibility, develop leadership, and give service."

**President:** "This meeting of the \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter of Family, Career and Community Leaders of America is now in session. You may be seated."

## CLOSING CEREMONY

**President:** "Members, please stand. FCCLA members, we are challenged to accept the responsibility of making decisions that affect our lives today and the world tomorrow. Let us repeat our Creed."

**Members:** "We are the Family, Career and Community Leaders of America. We face the future with warm courage and high hope. For we have the clear consciousness of seeking old and precious values. For we are the builders of homes, homes for America's future. Homes where living will be the expression of everything that is good and fair, Homes where truth and love and security and faith will be realities, not dreams. We are the Family, Career and Community Leaders of America. We face the future with warm courage and high hope."

**President:** "This meeting of the \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter of Family, Career and Community Leaders of America is now adjourned."

# COLORS

## Colors: Red and White

FCCLA's official brand colors are professional and modern, contribute to the organization's national unity, and provide a national identity. The official colors are red (PMS 185C) and white (PMS 000C). Red suggests strength, courage, and determination, personal qualities leading to happiness through a positive self-image. White symbolizes sincerity of purpose and integrity of action, qualities that will help individuals build a better tomorrow.

## Flower: Red Rose

The red rose represents the organization by giving joy through its beauty and fragrance. It symbolizes a desire for beauty in everyday living.

## Emblem

This is the official emblem for Family, Career and Community Leaders of America. The collegiate letters stand for education and student leadership. The arrow stands for an active organization that embodies new arenas. The tagline, The Ultimate Leadership Experience, comes off the lower right side.



# LOGO AND TRADEMARK USE

It is FCCLA's national policy that the organization's logos, names, and acronyms may only be used in connection with programs and projects directly related to the mission and purposes of FCCLA. Chapters and state associations have permission to use the FCCLA logos, names, and acronyms to publicize and promote FCCLA through programs, events, media, and other marketing resources, including (but not limited to): Advertisements, Flyers, Social Media, Brochures, Posters, Websites, Bulletin Boards, PowerPoint Presentations, Word Documents

Please be advised that only National FCCLA can approve the use of the FCCLA trademarked logos, names, or acronyms on promotional items, including (but not limited to) apparel, awards, and merchandise. Chapters and state associations are not permitted to approve the use of FCCLA trademarked logos, names, or acronyms to any outside vendor for items including (but not limited to) apparel, awards, and merchandise. Always reference the FCCLA Branding Guidelines when using the FCCLA logos, names, or acronyms to ensure that you are adhering to national standards and protecting the integrity of the FCCLA brand.

## FCCLA Pin

The pin is a reproduction of the FCCLA Emblem. Members, advisors, honorary members, Alumni & Associate members, and chapter parents may wear the pin. The FCCLA Pin is worn over the heart. The guard should be placed level with the lower point of the pin. The wearer determines the number of symbols to be worn at one time and their placement on the chain.

# PARLIAMENTARY LAW

## Order of Business

1. Call to Order or Opening Ceremony
2. Roll Call
3. Secretary's Report
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Other officer's Report
6. Standing Committee Report
7. Special Committee Report (If any)
8. Unfinished Business
9. New Business
10. Announcements
11. Program
12. Adjournment or Closing Ceremony

## How A Motion Progresses

1. A member rises and addresses the presiding officer.
2. The member is recognized by the presiding officer.
3. The member proposes a motion.
4. Another member seconds the motion.
5. The presiding officer states the motion to the assembly.
6. The assembly discusses or debates the motion.
7. The presiding officer takes the vote on the motion.
8. The presiding officer announces the result of the vote.

# QUICK NATIONAL FCCLA FACTS

**FCCLA Week** is celebrated each year during the second full week in February and coincides with National Career & Technical Education Week.

**National Headquarters** is located in Herndon, Virginia.

**The Birth of the Organization** was on June 11, 1945 in Chicago, Illinois. The name was changed from Future Homemakers of America to Family, Career and Community Leaders of America in 1999 to better define the organization.

**National Fall Conference** is an incredible opportunity to join members and advisers across the nation to network, expand your leadership skills, sharpen your talents, and explore National Programs and Career Pathways. Information may be found at [www.fcclainc.org](http://www.fcclainc.org).

**National Leadership Conference** is held each July and offers members and advisors opportunities to develop leadership skills and learn ways to enhance chapter action through participation in issue-oriented workshops and activities.

## Social Media

X (Twitter): @TexasFCCLA

Facebook: @TexasFCCLA

Instagram: @txfccla

Snapchat: @TexasFCCLA

Tik Tok: texasfccla

# NATIONAL PROGRAMS



Career Connection helps members learn more about themselves, the workplace, and future careers to put themselves on the pathway to success. The projects that members conduct around Career Connection units will give them the confidence to face the thousands of overwhelming options that come with future career decisions.



The Community Service program guides members to identify local concerns and carry out projects to improve the quality of life in their communities. Through their projects, members experience character development and improve their critical and creative thinking, interpersonal communication, practical knowledge, and career preparation. FCCLA members learn more about themselves, others, and the world so that they can make a difference now and in the future.



Families Acting for Community Traffic Safety (FACTS) gives members the information and incentives they need to build an understanding of what it means to drive safely, both today and in the future. Through their projects, members work to educate adults and peers about traffic safety and support enforcement of local rules and regulations. FCCLA members are given the tools to help families promote basic safety attitudes that can last a lifetime.



Families First is a national FCCLA peer education program that helps young people explore, understand, and appreciate diverse aspects of families and family life. **THE GOALS OF THE PROGRAM ARE TO:** Help youth become strong family members and leaders for today and tomorrow, Strengthen families as a foundational unit of society, Explore careers that support families, Provide safety education for youth to foster safe and healthy families and communities, and Understand how nurturing children build strong families.

# NATIONAL PROGRAMS



Financial Fitness engages members in teaching one another how to earn, spend, save, and protect money wisely. Through FCCLA's Financial Fitness program, members plan and carry out projects that help them, and their peers learn to become wise financial managers and smart consumers. FCCLA members can build their peers' financial literacy and teach them skills for managing their finances.



Power of One helps members to find and use their personal power. Members set their own goals, work to achieve them, and enjoy the results. The skills members learn in Power of One help them now and in the future with school, friends and family, and on the job. Power of One units: A Better You, Family Ties, Working on Working, Take the Lead, Speak Out for FCCLA.



The FCCLA Stand Up national peer education program guides members to develop, plan, carry out, and evaluate advocacy activities to improve the quality of life in their communities. Members develop their voice to make a positive impact. Through their projects, members experience character development and improve their critical and creative thinking, interpersonal communication, leadership, practical knowledge, and career preparation.



The Student Body program helps members learn to make informed, responsible choices for their physical and mental health while also providing opportunities to teach others. The teen years are an ideal time to establish healthy attitudes and habits to last a lifetime, which is why Student Body gives members the facts and incentives they need to build a healthy body.

# COMPETITIVE EVENTS

**STAR Events** (Students Taking Action with Recognition) are Competitive Events in which members compete at the region, state, and national levels. Students are recognized for proficiency and achievement in chapter and individual projects, leadership skills, and career preparation. STAR Events allow students to compete individually or as a team. There are more than 30 STAR Events students can choose to compete in. STAR Events can be found on the National FCCLA website. The top 5 region competitors advance to state. The top 2 state competitors advance to national.

## **STAR Events:**

Baking and Pastry; Career Investigation; Chapter in Review (Display and Portfolio); Chapter Service Project (Display and Portfolio); Culinary Arts; Early Childhood Education; Entrepreneurship; Event Management; Fashion Construction; Fashion Design; Focus on Children; Food Innovations; Hospitality, Tourism and Recreation; Interior Design; Interpersonal Communications; Job Interview; Leadership; National Programs in Action; Nutrition and Wellness; Parliamentary Procedure; Professional Presentation; Promote and Publicize FCCLA; Public Policy Advocate; Repurpose and Redesign; Say Yes to FCS Education; Sports Nutrition; Sustainability Challenge; and Teach or Train.

**Online STAR Events:** Digital Stories for Change, FCCLA Chapter Website, and Instructional Video Design, RED Talks on Education

**FCCLA Knowledge Bowl:** The content and competition questions focus on six key areas of consumer knowledge that teens need to know to function effectively in today's marketplace.

**Skill Demonstration Events:** These events provide opportunities for members to demonstrate college and career-ready skills in Family and Consumer Sciences and related occupations. These competitions take place at the National Fall Conference.

## **Texas Proficiency Events:**

(Region and State Level Only)

Texas Cupcake Presentation, Texas Mystery Basket, Texas Serving Up Success, and Texas Toys That Teach

## **Family Consumer Sciences Assessments (FCSAs):**

Objective tests given to FCCLA members at fall leadership workshops, region FCCLA conferences, and at the state FCCLA Leadership Conference.





## 2023 - 2024 Calendar of Events

### 2023

June 11 - 16	Region/State Officer Training	Camp Allen, Navasota
July 2 - 6	National Leadership Conference	Denver, CO
September 11 - 15	Membership Recruitment Week	
October 9 - 11	Capitol Leadership	Washington, DC
October 11	State Fair of Texas Ag Awareness Day	Dallas, TX
November 10 - 12	National Fall Conference	Birmingham, AL

### 2024

January 25 - 27	Region IV Leadership Conference	Galveston
February 1 - 3	Region V Leadership Conference	Corpus Christi
February 8 - 10	Region I Leadership Conference	Lubbock
February 12 - 16	FCCLA Week	
February 15 - 17	Region III Leadership Conference	Waco
Feb 29 - March 2	Region II Leadership Conference	Waco
April 12 - 14	State Leadership Conference	Dallas (Hilton Anatole)
June 9 - 14	Region/State Officer Training	Camp Allen, Navasota
June 29 - July 3	National Leadership Conference	Seattle, WA

### Important Deadlines

November 1, 2023	Affiliation Submission
November 15, 2023	Affiliation Payment Received
December 1, 2023	Competitive Event Registration Submission

### Other Events for Region/State Officers

- Fall Executive Council Meetings – Set by Region Advisors at Officer Training
- Board of Directors Meeting – September 18 (state officers with board positions)
- State Fair Ag Awareness & Honor Awards – October 9 - 11 (state officers)
- State Officer Meeting – December 2023 (state officers)
- CTSO Days at the Capitol – Held in conjunction with Jan/Feb SBOE meeting (state officers)



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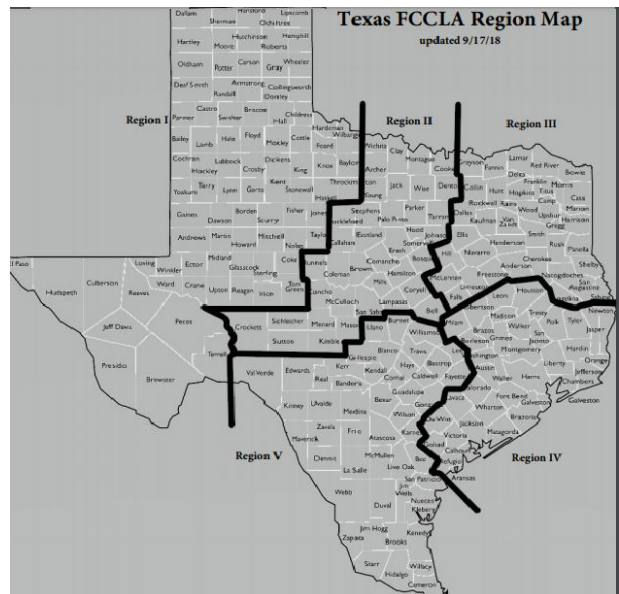
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STATE ASSOCIATION



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