

FCCLA Update



2015-16 theme-- FCCLA: CONNECT AND COMMIT

AFFILIATION TIME IS NEAR

Be sure to get your chapter affiliated by November 1 in order to be eligible to compete in STAR Events and have officer candidates. Go to www.fcclainc.org to affiliate. Remember, payment must be posted on the site by November 15; it is up to you to check and make sure national posted your payment by that date!!!!

Become a TEXAS RED Partner

The Texas FCCLA Board of Directors wants you to be a contributor to the **new Texas Red Scholarship** for Texas FCCLA. We are asking all chapters, individuals and businesses to support the new Scholarship Fund by donating to Texas FCCLA. This minimal donation will be used for scholarships for active members and will be awarded at the 2016 State Leadership conference. All Texas Red donors will be recognized at the 2016 State Meeting, on our website and on signage. Donations can be made on the Texas FCCLA website

Carter High Film Partnership!

Destiny - Chance - Choice

FCCLA is proud to partner with Play Now Enterprise on the release of the film *Carter High*. Based on a true story, this film highlights how success can be impacted by one poor decision. FCCLA will be releasing a discussion guide to assist advisers in leading a thoughtful review of the film, addressing the difficult challenges that these youth faced and how they saw both victory and defeat through these challenges.

The first release will be in Houston and Dallas Friday, October 30, with a nationwide release scheduled for the week of Thanksgiving. The film is rated PG 13 due to language. Leaders involved in the production of this film will be in attendance at the 2015 National Cluster Meetings. A sample news story highlighting the true story can be seen at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tqQ4WzVD6t8>

The theme of *Carter High* ties directly to the 2015 theme "Empower", highlighting how our decisions can empower others and ourselves. Stay tuned for more information!





Do your students want a chance at winning two tickets to the Red Carpet Premiere for the film *Carter High*? FCCLA and Play Now Enterprise, the production company for the film *Carter High*, have just launched the "Champions by Choice" essay contest! Your mission is to encourage your students to create a one-page essay based around the title "Champions by Choice." One winner will receive two (2) tickets to the red carpet premiere in Dallas, Texas on October 27. For more information, [click here](#)! Submissions are due by **8:00 am ET October 19**. To learn more about the film, or to find out when it will be in a theatre near you, visit <http://www.thecarterhighmovie.com>.

LAQUINTA CONTINUES PARTNERSHIP

Planning a school or family trip? Remind all of your members that **anyone** can use the FCCLA code and get a reduced price at LaQuinta Hotels. Reservations can be made through the FCCLA Website or by using the code **TFCCLA** when making reservations on the LaQuinta website or in a hotel. Encourage all organizations and groups (band, drill team, dance groups, other organizations) to use the code to help them out with the costs of their travel and to help FCCLA at the same time.

All revenue received from LaQuinta goes into the scholarship fund. There will be additional scholarships this year. Help us out by promoting the use of LaQuinta to anyone who travels.

FALL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE UNDERWAY

Check out the Texas FCCLA website for dates and locations of the fall leadership workshops that are hosted by region and state officers. These meetings are a perfect way for your local members to learn about FCCLA and meet members from your area of the state. They are informative and fun.....something to start your year off with a bang!

NBA GAMES TO RECOGNIZE FCCLA AND PROVIDE CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Go to the website at www.texasfccla.org and find information about the Career Days scheduled with the NBA teams. A great opportunity for your chapters to meet key employees of the franchises and learn about careers then enjoy a game.

SAY YES TO FCS

DON'T FORGET TO PROMOTE Family and Consumer Sciences Education....look for monthly social media activities to begin soon. Do you have your posters up in your school?

DINE IN- SPONSORED BY AAFCS

Mark your calendar for December 3 to plan to dine in with your family. Visit [.www.aafcs.org](http://www.aafcs.org) for more details.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

November 1- affiliation must be submitted on line; payment received and posted by November 15
December 15- deadline for submission of STAR and Proficiency Event entries; officer candidates and honorary membership application.

National Cluster Meetings – Empowered

Texas is hosting one of the two cluster meetings in Dallas, November 20-22,2015. Don't miss the opportunity to participate in Skill Events, Knowledge Bowl and attend great sessions. The deadline is approaching so please go to www.fcclainc.org to get registered for the meeting.

We are in need of volunteers to assist us with the conference. Please go to: <https://drive.google.com/folderview?id=0B-HPUSg9Y5J-akdldVJReFVzeig&usp=sharing>

There are two forms with opportunities listed on both. We need to get those positions filled by the first of next week so please act immediately.

JOIN FCCLA SOCIAL MEDIA SITES

Please have all your members and advisors join:

Facebook: Like Texas FCCLA

Instagram: Texas FCCLA

Twitter: Texas FCCLA



IT'S COMING IN 2016 and in 2018---

The National Board of Directors voted to eliminate all khaki wear from the national conference dress code starting with the **2016 National Leadership Conference (NLC)** and to require black dress shoes as the shoe attire for the conference dress code.

The Board of Directors decided to implement a new national conference dress code for all youth members that will be implemented starting with **NLC 2018** as follows:

- White collared dress shirt
- Neckwear from official emblematic supplier
- Black bottoms (slacks, skirt, sheath dress)
- Black dress shoes
- Red jacket from official emblematic supplier

The Texas Board of Directors will be reviewing the policy at their February meeting to determine if and when Texas will follow these changes.

Please call the FCCLA office if you have any questions about your local FCCLA chapter. We look forward to hearing from you!

