

Proposed Bylaw Change 2018

(approved by Board of Directors, 2/26/18)

Rationale:

The State of Texas recently changed the requirements for who can teach courses in the Education and Training pathway. Due to this change, non-certified Family and Consumer Science teachers will be able to teach Education and Training courses, which fall under the Family and Consumer Sciences umbrella.

The Texas FCCLA Board of Directors, Visionary Committee, and State Executive Council are in favor of the proposed bylaw change below, to be voted upon at the 2018 State Leadership Conference. This change would open up the “chapter advisor” role to include teachers **currently** teaching a family and consumer science course, **as certified by the state department**.

We feel this would provide more students the opportunity to participate in FCCLA and benefit from the skills and resources that we have to offer. We also feel that advisor exposure to FCCLA may encourage the teacher to seek certification in Family and Consumer Sciences, creating more FCS teachers across the state.

State Board of Education Change *(went into effect December 21, 2017):*

§231.381. Education and Training, Grades 9-12.

(a) An assignment for Instructional Practices [in Education and Training] or Principles of Education and Training, Grades 9-12, is allowed with **any valid classroom teacher or administrator certificate** ~~{one of the following certificates}.~~

~~{(1) Any home economics or homemaking certificate.}~~

~~{(2) Family and Consumer Sciences, Composite: Grades 6-12.}~~

~~{(3) Human Development and Family Studies: Grades 8-12.}~~

(b) Subject to the requirements in subsection (c) of this section, an assignment for Practicum in Education and Training or Extended Practicum in Education and Training , Grades 9-12, is allowed with **any valid classroom teacher or administrator certificate** ~~{one of the following certificates}.~~

~~{(1) Any home economics or homemaking certificate.}~~

~~{(2) Family and Consumer Sciences, Composite: Grades 6-12.}~~

~~{(3) Human Development and Family Studies: Grades 8-12.}~~

State Bylaw Proposed Change *(to be voted on at the State Leadership Conference):*

ARTICLE VII

LOCAL CHAPTERS AND REGIONS

Section II: The chapter advisors shall be ~~family and consumer and sciences teachers in the school~~ teachers that are certified and currently teaching a family and consumer science course as determined by the state department of education.