

**REGION IV
FAMILY, CAREER AND COMMUNITY LEADERS OF AMERICA**

TO: Family and Consumer Sciences Education Teachers

The Region IV Meeting of Family, Career and Community Leaders of America, is scheduled February 15-17, 2018, at Galveston Island Convention Center and Resort, 5600 Seawall Boulevard, Galveston, TX.

The attendance of you and your students is anticipated as the officers carry out the theme, "Texas FCCLA: Constructing Leaders". The schedule of the meeting is basically the same as last year. Competitive Events may begin Thursday, February 15, 2018. All chapters should be prepared to compete on Thursday afternoon if necessary. Family and Consumer Sciences Assessments (FCSAs) will be available to students on Friday, along with leadership tracks, and service learning activities. The first general session will be on Friday evening, the meeting will conclude before noon on Saturday, February 17, 2018.

Thursday, February 15, 2018 *Check back 1 week prior to the meeting for exact times*

Meeting Registration (STAR/Proficiency participants)	Galveston Island Convention Center
TBA...Times posted with Schedules	
Competitive Event Check-In Mandatory Check-in	Galveston Island Convention Center
TBA...Time posted with schedules	

Friday, February 16, 2018

Meeting Registration 7:30 a.m.	Galveston Island Convention Center
Competitive Events Check-In Mandatory Check-in	Galveston Island Convention Center
TBA....Times posted with Schedules	

FCSA Testing:	Galveston Island Convention Center
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9:00 - 11:00 a.m. Pre-registered participants

11:00 – 12:30 p.m. On-site registration

Leadership Tracks 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.	Galveston Island Convention Center
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House of Delegates	Galveston Island Convention Center
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1:30 p.m.

First General Session	Galveston Island Convention Center
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7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Saturday, February 17, 2018

Second General Session	Galveston Island Convention Center
9:00 – 11:30 a.m.	

Competitive Event participants will need to **print the letter containing information for the individual events from the FCCLA website** along with the **time schedule**. This information will be posted by the first of January. Please check the website to determine the competition time of your student. **Participants should re-check the website Thursday prior to the meeting to get the latest updates on the schedules.**

Note: the schedule could change after the mandatory check-in so participants must check for changes after the revised schedule is posted outside the room following check-in for the events.

**The mandatory dress code will be enforced at the regional meetings.
At all official meetings (general sessions, FCCLA testing and leadership tracks) students must be in official dress code.**

FEMALES:

- Red, black, or white polo or oxford shirt (long or short sleeves)
- Black dress slacks or khaki pants (no capris or shorts)
- Black sheath dress –plain with no frills
- Black or khaki skirts – no shorter than 2 inches above the knee
- Black or brown shoes/boots or sandals with back straps. No athletic shoes or flip flops allowed
- Jeans, t-shirts, athletic wear are NOT acceptable

Note: Pant legs may not be tucked into boots

MALES:

- Red, black, or white polo or oxford shirt (long or short sleeves)
- Black dress slacks or khaki pants (no shorts)
- Black or brown shoes/boots. No athletic shoes or flip flops allowed
- Jeans, t-shirts, athletic wear are NOT acceptable

Note: Pant legs may not be tucked into boots

Advisors/ Chaperons/ Guests

- Business casual
- Jeans, t-shirts, athletic wear and rubber, beach type flip flops are NOT acceptable

STAR EVENTS PARTICIPANTS SKILLED DEMONSTRATION PARTICIPANTS

Follow event specifications for dress, and wear appropriate clothing for the nature of the presentation.

UNACCEPTABLE ATTIRE AT FCCLA SESSIONS

- Skin-tight or revealing clothing
- Midriff-baring clothing
- Extremely short skirts (shorter than 2 inches above the knee)
- Clothing with printing that is suggestive, obscene or promotes illegal substances
- Athletic clothing
- Swimwear
- Rubber, beach type flip flops
- Night wear (pajamas) should not be worn outside of your hotel room

A list of qualifications for the 2018-2019 region officer candidates will be posted to the website in January. Please review with your voting delegate the election procedure found in the region constitution and have your voting delegate bring a #2 lead pencil to the House of Delegates session. Each chapter may have one voting delegate in attendance. **The voting delegate badge will be in the registration packet that must be picked up before the House of Delegates session.**

Chapters may turn in contributions to the Region IV Service Learning Project on Friday during general registration. See the FCCLA website for specific information about the Service Learning Project.

Hotel information is available on the Texas FCCLA website. **Curfew** is set in the hotel at 11:00 p.m. This means that members should be in their rooms by 11:00 p.m. with doors closed and voices should not be heard from the halls or through the walls. Please help enforce this by orienting and monitoring your students.

Scholarships are once again available to FCCLA members. The application for all scholarships can be downloaded from the Texas FCCLA (www.texasfccla.org) web page. The deadline for scholarship submission is March 1, 2018. We also encourage chapters to complete and submit the National Program Awards Application. This application can be found on the national website, and located under the drop down

button “awards.” The website address is <http://fcclainc.org/content/program-award-applications/>. A link to the Master Advisor and Mentor Advisor application forms can also be found on the Texas FCCLA website (www.texasfccla.org) in the Advisor Section under National Awards. We encourage you to nominate yourself or another deserving advisor.

The officers look forward to having you attend the 2018, regional meeting. **Please plan to participate in the entire meeting.** If you have any questions, please email Judy Engleman, jengleman@texasfccla.org, 430-216-8140.

cc: Alex Everett, State Advisor

Attachments

FCCLA Guidelines and Information

Participants are expected to attend and participate in all sessions, workshops and activities so they can gain as much as possible from the meetings. Students who disregard the rules will be subject to disciplinary action and may be sent home at their own expense. Parent/guardians will be notified. All meeting attendees should be informed of the following:

- *All students must be accompanied by an adult chaperone
- *Behavior at all times should reflect a positive, professional image of you, your school, your city and FCCLA.
- *Any accident, injuries or illnesses should be reported to the adult chaperone immediately.
- *If a student is found responsible for stealing or vandalism, the student and his/her parents/guardians will be expected to pay for all damages.
- *Students may not purchase, possess, consume, or be under the influence of alcohol or an illegal drug at any time. Violators will be subject to stringent disciplinary action
- *Smoking is prohibited.
- *Males and females should not be in each other’s hotel sleeping rooms without adult supervision.
- *If any inappropriate sexual conduct occurs, regardless of gender, age, grade or race, responsible adults will be informed and appropriate action will occur.

Advisors/Chaperones Responsibilities:

- *Permission slips should be obtained prior to leaving for the regional meeting.
- *If students are going to be allowed to swim, permission must be obtained from the parents; all students **MUST** be supervised at the pool at all times by the local advisor.
- *Advisors and chaperones are responsible for the behavior and discipline of their students throughout the meeting. Students causing a disturbance or displaying inappropriate behavior will be asked to leave the meeting and the hotel.
- *An adult must accompany and supervise all students at a ratio of about 1 adult for every 10 students.
- *Male chaperones should supervise male students.
- *The curfew during the meeting is 11:00 p.m.

Food in the Convention Center:

NO Food or Drink can be brought into the Galveston Island Convention Center! There will be several food vendors located in the convention center. Several restaurants are within walking distance from the convention center. The city of Galveston will provide brochures with a list of restaurants and a map. The brochures will be available at the registration desk.