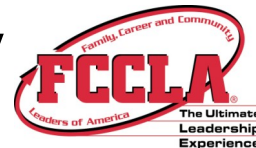


Family, Career and Community Leaders of America



Family, Career and Community Leaders of America, Inc. (FCCLA) is a nonprofit national career and technical student organization for young men and women in Family and Consumer Sciences Education in public and private schools through grade 12.

Building Skills for Life

The Family, Career and Community Leaders of America is a dynamic and effective national student organization that helps young men and women become leaders and address important personal, family, work, and societal issues through Family and Consumer Sciences Education.

Chapter projects focus on a variety of youth concerns, including teen pregnancy, parenting, family relationships, substance abuse, peer pressure, environment, nutrition and fitness, teen violence, and career exploration.

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.

Purposes

1. To provide opportunities for personal development and preparation for adult life.
2. To strengthen the function of the family as the 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.

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 communications;
- Practical knowledge; and
- Career preparation.

Program Emphasis

FCCLA—

- Is the only co-curricular student organization with the family as its central focus;
- Is a career and technical student organization that functions as an integral part of the Family and Consumer Sciences Education curriculum and operates within the school system;
- Provides opportunities for active student participation at local, state, and national levels.

Membership

FCCLA has a national membership of nearly 220,000 young men and women in 7,000 local chapters. There are 53 state associations including the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands.

Iowa FCCLA has a state membership of over 2500 members in 114 chapters that can be found in every part of the state.

Since its founding in 1945, FCCLA has involved more than ten million youth. Former members are eligible to participate through Alumni and Associates. Iowa FCCLA members can also join the Iowa Alumni and Associations program for further involvement in Iowa FCCLA.

Governance

Eight state officers (students) are elected by voting delegates at the annual State Leadership Conference and together make up the State Executive Council.

Opportunities in FCCLA

- Career Connection
- Leaders at Work
- Community Service
- Dynamic Leadership
- Families Acting for Community Traffic Safety
- Families First
- Japanese Exchange
- Financial Fitness
- Power of 1
- Public Relations
- STAR (Students Taking Action with Recognition) Events at the District, State, and National Level
- STOP (Students Taking On Prevention) the Violence
- Student Body
- FCS Knowledge Bowl
- District, State, and National Conferences
- Leadership opportunities as Chapter, District, State, and National Officers
- Leadership development at the Fall Leadership Rally and the Ultimate State Officer Academy
- Peer education teams where students learn to educate their peers about a variety of issues

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