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*Our mission is to promote personal growth and leadership development through family and consumer sciences education.*

To: Iowa FCCLA Chapter Advisers  
From: Loa Christensen and Kathy Comstock  
Subject: State STAR Events  
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District STAR Events are fast approaching and demanding your time and energy. Good luck to all of your STAR participants and thank you for your work with them. It is another exciting year for STAR Events with three new events. Check the manual on the national or state website for event rules, descriptions, and rubrics. ([www.fcclainc.org](http://www.fcclainc.org)) ([www.iafccla.org](http://www.iafccla.org)). Both sites now have a STAR Question and Answer feature to provide information. The national site has this year's competition materials and the state site has some practice materials for your convenience. Please feel free to contact Loa with questions, as well, at [lchristensen@huxcomm.net](mailto:lchristensen@huxcomm.net) and she will respond as soon as possible.

State STAR Events will be held on Monday, March 22, 2010 at the Iowa Events Center. The two day conference schedule makes it necessary to start early with mandatory orientation at 8:00a.m. and events beginning at 8:30a.m.

Once district STAR Events are finished, state registration must be completed by **February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2009** **to avoid a \$25.00 chapter late fee.** *The top 3 medals earned (at district level), each medal representing the top medalist from 3 different participating chapters in each STAR Event and category advance to state. The exception to this would be those events that allow 2 state qualifiers to advance to national STAR Events, those events at the district level would send the top 6 medalists from 6 different schools to state.*

The following checklist includes information about all necessary forms for state STAR Events. Updated forms are now found on the state website. ([www.iafccla.org](http://www.iafccla.org)). Register your state qualifiers and email/mail your affiliation forms and payments by February 10<sup>th</sup>. You will receive an invoice when registration materials are received. Please contact Kathy immediately if you do not receive an invoice in a timely manner. **Be sure you save a copy of all completed forms for your files.** Please look over these forms in advance so completing them will be an easy task.

\_\_\_\_\_ **District STAR Events Summary Form**—The **district adviser or district STAR Events coordinator** completes this paper form. It provides proof that all state entries were evaluated and qualified from the district competition. A separate form is completed for comprehensive entries and occupational entries. Save this form as the title and number of your district STAR Events and send to: [MaryAnn.Adams@iowa.gov](mailto:MaryAnn.Adams@iowa.gov) or **Mary Ann Adams, Iowa FCCLA, Iowa Department of Education, 400 East 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Des Moines, IA 50319.**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Chapter Registration Form**—The **chapter adviser** completes this online registration form for those entries from their chapter that qualify for state. Go to this link [http://fccla.turetel.com/state\\_star.html](http://fccla.turetel.com/state_star.html) to access the registration form. This form can also be found under STAR Events or SLC on the state website and is used for both comprehensive and occupational

chapter entries. Be sure to select the correct category (comprehensive or occupational), check spelling carefully, and be sure all details are included. **Print a copy for your files using the print option in your web browser before you submit this online form. You will receive a pdf confirmation of your registration to check for accuracy.** Contact Alex Kaiser at [kaizer\\_fccla@yahoo.com](mailto:kaizer_fccla@yahoo.com) if you have questions about or need help with your state STAR registration.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Copies of Chapter Affiliation forms—Chapter adviser sends a copy** of affiliation forms as proof that affiliation was completed by **November 30<sup>th</sup>** and complies with the state policies. Mail to: **Mary Ann Adams, Iowa FCCLA, Iowa Department of Education, 400 East 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Des Moines, IA 50319.**

\_\_\_\_\_ **School purchase order or check—Chapter adviser sends payment** for the registration fees with the affiliation forms. If a bill is required by your school for the purchase order include those instructions. This year's state registration fee remains at \$20.00 per participant. Mail to: **Mary Ann Adams, Iowa FCCLA, Iowa Department of Education, 400 East 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Des Moines, IA 50319, no exceptions!**

**There is still an urgent need for lead and assistant consultants to manage the centers.** This is the responsibility of advisers and may need to be assigned if there aren't enough volunteers. Please contact Kathy as soon as possible to volunteer. Last year we were able to have two advisers in some centers. That teamwork made it possible to supervise members and see some of the presentations. Our goal is to place two advisers in each center. Please give this serious consideration and help out.

A concession stand will be provided throughout the day Monday with breakfast, lunch, and snack items. This is at the request of advisers and your support is appreciated. Every effort has been made to provide a good selection of items.

During the day on Monday, students are encouraged to observe STAR Events. They may also enjoy ISU faculty demonstrating or showcasing various curricula relating to family and consumer sciences in the Conference Center lobby. This is an excellent opportunity for students to explore and find an FCS-related field for a possible future career choice!

The **STAR Events Showcase** is planned at the state conference again. This has been very helpful to those advisers and members seeking information about STAR Events and what the projects look like. Please let Loa know if you have members who are willing to display their STAR projects and if they need table space reserved. Thanks for helping with this.

If we can be of help to you, please use our contact information. A participant's letter will be sent at the end of February with the details of the state events, along with a tentative schedule. Best of luck with your STAR Events projects this year. We look forward to seeing you and your students at state.

### **STAR Events Questions**

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