

# State Officer Candidate Information Packet





#### STATE OFFICER SELECTION OVERVIEW

#### **District Consultant Information**

- Checklist
- State Officer Nomination Form
- Student Application for State Interview Panelist Form
- Interview Panelist Knowledge Exam
- State Officer Candidate Knowledge Exam

**NOTE:** Study Guides for both Interview Panelists and State Officer Candidates are also on the <u>State</u> <u>Conference Page</u> on the Colorado FCCLA website.

#### **Student Candidate Information**

- State Officer Candidate Guidelines, Steps, and Requirements
- State Officer Candidate Application Link
  - Application must be submitted by the Candidate via the link with corresponding file uploads by 5pm MST on February 15.
- Responsibility and Qualification Signature Sheet
- State Officer Candidate Study Guide

#### **Please Note**

State Officer Candidates are <u>NOT</u> permitted to participate in any competitive event at the State Leadership Conference.

Interview Panelist members are <u>NOT</u> permitted to participate in any competitive event at the State Leadership Conference.



#### DISTRICT CONSULTANT CHECKLIST

One District Consultant /Co-consultant and one school administrator is required to be part of the State FCCLA Interviewing Panel for State Officer Selection. The assignment is based on the following rotation:

| Year | District Consultant          |
|------|------------------------------|
| 2026 | Arkansas Valley District     |
| 2027 | Mountain Shadows District    |
| 2028 | Mountain View District       |
| 2029 | Northeastern Plains District |
| 2030 | Northern District            |
| 2031 | Pine Meadows District        |
| 2032 | San Juan Basin District      |
| 2033 | San Luis Valley District     |
| 2034 | Scenic Country District      |
| 2035 | Spanish Peaks District       |

| Year | Administrator                |
|------|------------------------------|
| 2026 | Pine Meadows District        |
| 2027 | San Juan Basin District      |
| 2028 | San Luis Valley District     |
| 2029 | Scenic Country District      |
| 2030 | Spanish Peaks District       |
| 2031 | Arkansas Valley District     |
| 2032 | Mountain Shadows District    |
| 2033 | Mountain View District       |
| 2034 | Northeastern Plains District |
| 2035 | Northern District            |

- □ Set a deadline for return of applications to you (allow sufficient time to process the applications and schedule times for interviews).
  □ Povious check for completeness, and sign off on all possessary paperwork for State Officer.
- ☐ Review, check for completeness, and sign off on all necessary paperwork for State Officer Candidates.
  - Candidate must be a current freshman, sophomore or junior
  - Candidate must have an academic grade point average of 2.5 or better
  - Candidate must be an affiliated FCCLA member
  - Candidate has demonstrated a leadership role at the local, district, or community level
- ☐ Determine Interview Panel Members for your District Interview Panel and schedule times for interviews. The District Interviewing Panel may consist of:
  - 3 to 5 advisers representing different chapters (may be selected on a rotating basis)
  - Current State Officer not applying for another term as State Officer Past State Officer
  - An adult representing the business community or an administrator from a school in your district
  - An upper classman who has attended at least one State Leadership Conference
- ☐ Schedule one-hour time frame for the exam:
  - Exam will be taken online
  - District Consultant or their designee will administer the exam at the designated time
  - All officer candidates from the district will take the exam at the same time
  - The exam may be taken only **one** time
  - Time allotted shall be one hour (if needed, more time may be allotted per IEP or 504)



# **DISTRICT CONSULTANT CHECKLIST CONTINUED**

| Communicate in advance to advisers and candidates of their time for interview and exam. At Winter   |
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| District Conference/ Meeting, each State Officer Candidate must:  |
| Introduce themselves in front of district delegation  |
| • Introduce themselves to District Interviewing Panel and present a brief (2-3 minute) talk about   |
| themselves and qualifications for State Office  |
| <ul> <li>Answer general questions asked by the District Interviewing Panel</li> </ul>   |
| Tally District Panel's scores and complete the State Officer Nomination Form according to Colorado  |
| FCCLA Bylaws:   |
| • A maximum of three candidates plus one alternate candidate from each district for FCCLA State   |
| Office shall be forwarded to the State Adviser <b>by February 15</b> .  |
| There may be two officer candidates from each member chapter.   |
| <ul> <li>The alternate candidate may be from any member chapter including those with a</li> </ul>   |
| candidate.  |
| The three nominations and alternate can be from any combination of comprehensive and  |
| occupational chapters.  |
| <ul> <li>In the event of fewer than thirty State Officer Candidates, qualified alternates will be notified<br/>prior to the State Conference of their eligibility to be a State Officer Candidate.</li> </ul> |
| Administer State Officer Interview Panel Member Knowledge Exam. Candidates for the Interview  |
| Panel can take the exam more than once, but must earn the required 70% in order to be a member  |
| of the State Interview Panel. Each candidate for the Interview. Each District must select only one  |
| Interview Panel Member to send on to the State Interview Panel.   |
| Email State Officer Nomination, State Officer Interview Panel Member Knowledge Exam, and the  |
| State Officer Candidate Knowledge Exam to <u>jordan.sveen@cccs.edu</u> by February 15.  |
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### STATE OFFICER CANDIDATE NOMINATION FORM

| DISTRICT   |   | CONSULTANT   |   |  |
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Date

**District Consultant Signature** 



#### STATE OFFICER CANDIDATE PROCEDURE

#### **Colorado State Officer Candidate Qualifications:**

- 1. Must be an affiliated member of a Colorado chapter
- 2. Must be a current 8<sup>th</sup> grader, freshman, sophomore or junior.
- 3. Must currently have and maintain an academic 2.5 GPA or better based on the last grading period.
- 4. Must have demonstrated a leadership role at the local, district or community level (leadership role chairperson of a committee, officer of a class organization, at work or in the community).
- 5. Must display basic knowledge about the career and technical student organization of FCCLA and Family and Consumer Sciences (exam will be required at the District Winter Conference).
- 6. Must not be running for State Office in any other Career and Technical Student Organization.
- 7. Must secure support from parent/guardian(s), local adviser, school administrator, and District Consultant.
- 8. Must not be competing in a STAR Event.

#### **STEP ONE**

Complete the following necessary paperwork and submit all required materials upon approval at <a href="https://cccs-forms.formstack.com/forms/sec\_application">https://cccs-forms.formstack.com/forms/sec\_application</a> by February 15.

- 1. A State Officer Candidate Application Form
- 2. Candidate headshot
- 3. One-page resume
- 4. Responsibility and Qualifications Signature Sheet with all required signatures
- 5. Code of Conduct Form
- 6. Three LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION (one must be from your FCCLA Chapter Adviser)

#### **STEP TWO**

At District's Winter Conference or designated time and location, candidates will be interviewed and screened by a District Interviewing Panel and be required to complete:

- 1. One-minute introduction of self to attendees using a prop.
- 2. Individual presentation to District Interview Panel as required at State Leadership Conference.
- 3. Recite the FCCLA Creed.
- 4. Take the FCCLA Knowledge Exam and written assignment

#### **STEP THREE**

Applicants will receive official notification of State Officer Candidacy and be invited to be a part of the State Officer Selection process by March 1.



#### STATE OFFICER CANDIDATE PROCEDURE CONTINUED

#### **STEP FOUR**

Candidates selected to go on to the State Interview Panel will proceed through the interview process at the State Leadership Conference and complete:

#### 1. State Officer Candidate and Interview Panel Orientation

At the State Leadership Conference, State Officer Candidates and Interview Panelists will meet to go over logistics for the officer selection procedure. This is an information-only meeting and is not part of the selection process.

#### 2. Fishbowl Activity

Candidates may be assigned to a group to develop a 15 - 20 minute team presentation. Candidates may be assigned to a whole group presentation/task. The presentation/task is up to the discretion of the interview panel. Candidates will also engage in leadership development activity as a group and individual during this activity.

#### 3. Introduction to Conference Delegation (Prop Speech)

Candidates will introduce themselves to the entire delegation at the Opening Session. The introduction will be a one-minute presentation with a prop. The subject will be free choice of the candidate. If speeches run beyond one minute, points will be deducted but candidates will be allowed to finish. The evaluation will be based on:

- A. Preparedness
- B. Creativity
- C. Volume and clarity

#### 4. Interview with State Panel – time will be assigned at orientation and will include:

#### A. Memorization of Creed

State Officer Candidates will be required to recite the FCCLA Creed. Candidates will be evaluated on how well they have the Creed memorized and if they speak clearly and not too fast.

#### B. Individual Presentation

Organize a 2-3 minute about yourself covering the topics below. Points will be deducted if not within required time limit. This speech should be memorized. Note cards will be allowed. Topics to include in the presentation (in any order):

- The contributions you have made to FCCLA and what you think you can contribute to the Colorado Association as a State Officer.
- Relate why you would like to become a State FCCLA Officer.
- Describe your participation in your chapter FCCLA activities and other school or community organizations.
- Describe why Family and Consumer Sciences is important to you.

#### C. Oral Interview

Candidates will be asked six questions that consisting of the following:

- 1 Personality Question
- 2 Situational Response Questions
- 1 Parliamentary Procedure Question
- 1 Resume Based Question
- 1 Follow Up Question Based On Interview



#### STATE OFFICER CANDIDATE PROCEDURE CONTINUED

#### **Dress Code for State Officer Candidates**

- Officer candidates are to look professional throughout the entire conference unless otherwise stated.
- During both the prop speech on stage and the interview, only business attire will be allowed, no costumes of any sort will be acceptable. Candidates may not wear their props.
- Business attire is classified as a business suit or attire. Exceptions will be made for candidates who wear a dress shirt, tie/ascot and slacks without a jacket/blazer.
- For "Officer Reflections" casual attire (jeans and FCCLA t-shirt).
- For installation, candidates should wear business attire.
- Appearance should be neat and appropriate for a business setting.
- Candidates are not to wear the official FCCLA blazer during their prop speech, interview, or fishbowl activity.

#### **Candidates Disqualifications**

- **1.** Being late to any Officer Candidate Meeting may result in immediate disqualification. Candidates must be aware from the onset that promptness is important!
- 2. Violation of Policies and Disciplinary Procedures results in immediate disqualification.

#### **STEP FIVE**

New State Officers are announced at the State Leadership Conference and these officers must attend the Installation Ceremony at the Closing General Session. If a student is elected as a State Officer, as a member of the Executive Council, they are required to attend the following\*:

- 1. State Officer Orientation: 1 day in May 2026
- 2. Summer State Advisory Board Meeting: 1 day in June 2026
- 3. FCCLA State Officer Leadership Training: 2 1/2 days in June 2026
- 4. CTSO Officer Training: 2 days in June 2026
- 5. Monthly 1 day virtual meetings
- 6. OPTIONAL National Leadership Conference: July 6 July 10, 2022
- 7. Fall CO FCCLA Leadership Conference & Officer Regroup: 3 days in October/November 2026
- 8. Fall State Advisory Board Meeting: Virtual 1 day October/November 2026
- 9. OPTIONAL Capitol Leadership: October/November 2026
- 10. All "home" Chapter Meetings and District Conferences are required
- 11. Script writing: 2 days virtually (not all officers are involved) in January 2027
- 12. Spring Officer Regroup: 2 1/2 days in February 2027
- 13. Annual State Leadership Conference: April 1 April 3 2027

<sup>\*</sup>specific dates are subject to change



#### STATE OFFICER CANDIDATE PROCEDURE CONTINUED

#### State Officer Financial Responsibilities to be assumed by:

- State Association\*\*:
  - A. Reasonable expenses for room and meals while attending state-required meetings.
  - B. Weekly Registration and State Officer Training for the National Leadership Conference.
  - C. Official red jacket will be provided for each officer for use during their term

#### 2. Chapters:

- A. Chapters and/or districts inviting State Officers to appear on programs may be responsible for any expenses incurred for travel, room and/or meals.
- B. Affiliation dues for the current year for the state officer.
- C. Two community outreach visits per officer

#### 3. Individual:

- A. Officers are responsible for purchase of their individual uniform pieces beyond the Red Blazer. The following are approximate costs:
- White Button-Down Shirt
- Black Button-Down Shirt
- Black Pants
- Black Sheath Dress
- Black Skirt
- Black Shoes
- Tie or Bow Tie
- Black Socks
- Nylons
  - B. Each officer will assume expenses for the National Leadership Meeting, Capitol Leadership Meeting and Fall Leadership Conference.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Expenses for personal use will not be approved.

# **State Officer Candidate Evaluation Form**

|                                     | Not Evident                | Beginning  | Proficient   | Exemplary   | Score  |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|--|--|---|--------|
|                                     |                            |  |  |   |        |
|                                     | Арр                        | lication   |  | Total Possible Po   | ints 8 |
| Components                          |                            | 1 point for each of the components, 8 points total:  Completed application Submitted by Deadline Code of Conduct One page resume Recommendation Letter #1 Recommendation Letter #2 Recommendation Letter #3 Support Form |  |   |        |
|                                     |                            |  |  |   |        |
|                                     | Colorado State Fo          | CCLA Knowledge Tes   | t  | Total Possible Poi  | nts 12 |
| Essay Prompts                       | No Test<br><b>0</b>        | Essay prompts were not answered or essay prompts were routinely answered   | Essay prompts were thoughtfully and completely answered  3-4 | Essay prompts were thoughtfully and completely answered with original ideas |        |
|                                     |                            |  |  |   |        |
| Test Score                          | Test score was<br>under 60 | Test score was 61-70   | Test score was<br>71-89                                      | Test score was 90-100   |        |
|                                     | 0                          | 2  | 4  | 6   |        |
|                                     |                            |  |  |   |        |
|                                     | State Of                   | fficer Image   |  | Total Possible Po   | ints 6 |
| Professional Appearance             |                            | Candidate did not<br>participate in<br>interview   | Neat appearance,<br>posture, and<br>grooming                 | Professional appearance, posture and grooming                               |        |
|                                     |                            | 0  | 1  | 2   |        |
| Grammar/Word<br>Usage/Pronunciation |                            | 5+ grammatical and pronunciation errors  | 1-5 grammatical and pronunciation errors                     | No noticeable grammatical and pronunciation errors                          |        |
|                                     |                            | 0  | 1  | 2   |        |
| Punctuality                         |                            | Did not participate or   | Arrived on-time  | Arrived ahead of  |        |

|                                      |  | late for 1 or more candidate sessions  | for all parts of candidate sessions   | assigned times for all candidate sessions  |  |
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|                                      |  | 0  | 1   | 2  |  |
|                                      |  |  |   |  |  |
|                                      | Fis  | hbowl  |   | Total Possible Points 25   |  |
| Group<br>Management                  | Did not participate<br>in fishbowl<br>activities     | Rarely provides leadership or organization, contributes minimally to group progress, and does not address conflict | Effectively organize and supports group efforts, encourages participation and manages basic conflicts when needed | Consistently demonstrates strong leadership by organizing tasks, motivating group members, resolving conflicts and ensuring participation from all |  |
|                                      | U  | 1-3  | 4-6   | 7-8  |  |
| Teamwork and<br>Cooperation          | Did not exhibit<br>teamwork or<br>cooperation skills | Exhibited some<br>teamwork and<br>cooperation skills   | Exhibited<br>teamwork and<br>cooperation skills   | Exhibited teamwork<br>and cooperation skills<br>to create a positive<br>and collaborative<br>atmosphere  |  |
|                                      | 0  | 1-2  | 3-4   | 5-6  |  |
| Participation                        | Did not participate<br>in fishbowl<br>activities     | Participated in fishbowl activities with some hesitation or exhibited dominance or ignored other's contributions   | Participated in all aspects of fishbowl activities and recognized others' contributions                           | Actively participated in all aspects of fishbowl activities, recognized others' contributions and showed respect for all members                   |  |
|                                      |  | 1-2  | 3-4   | 5  |  |
| Leadership                           | Did not participate<br>in fishbowl<br>activities     | Occasionally<br>demonstrates<br>leadership   | Often shows initiative, encourages peers, models positive behavior and fulfills leadership responsibilities       | Consistently takes initiative, inspires and guide others, demonstrates integrity and leads by example even in challenging situations               |  |
|                                      | 0  | 1-2  | 3-4   | 5-6  |  |
|                                      |  |  |   |  |  |
| Prop Speech Total Possible Points 12 |  |  |   | s 12   |  |

| Delivery     | No prop speech<br>was given | Prop speech did not flow smoothly or was rapidly represented or inaudible or showed nerves                        | Prop speech was clearly presented with few nervous behaviors and had an introduction                              | Prop speech was presented with confidence, was clearly presented and had an attention-getting introduction                  |      |
|--------------|-----------------------------|---|---|---|------|
|              |                             |   | 2-3   | 4   |      |
| Creativity   | No prop was used  0         | Prop was appropriate<br>but not creative or<br>less than 3<br>correlations between<br>prop and candidate<br>given | Prop was creative<br>and appropriate<br>with 3-5<br>correlations<br>between prop and<br>candidate given           | Prop was unique,<br>creative, and<br>appropriate with<br>more than 5<br>correlations between<br>prop and candidate<br>given |      |
|              |                             | 1   | 2-3   | 4   |      |
| Preparedness | No prop speech<br>was given | Speech was under 40<br>seconds,<br>demonstrated little<br>evidence of prior<br>preparation or notes<br>were used  | Speech was 40-50 seconds or over 70 seconds, demonstrated some evidence of preparation or was partially memorized | Speech was between 50 and 70 seconds, demonstrated evidence of preparation and was memorized                                |      |
|              | 0                           | 1   | 2-3   | 4   |      |
|              |                             |   |   |   |      |
|              | FCCI                        | A Creed   |   | Total Possible Point  | ts 8 |
| Memorization | Creed was not said  0       | Creed was said but<br>not memorized or<br>the creed was said<br>with more than 3<br>mistakes                      | Creed was<br>memorized but<br>was said with 1-3<br>mistakes   | Creed was memorized<br>and said without any<br>mistakes   |      |
|              | -                           | 1   | 2-3   | 4   |      |
| Delivery     | Creed was not said  0       | Creed did not flow<br>smoothly or was<br>rapidly presented or<br>inaudible or showed<br>nerves                    | Creed was clearly presented with few nervous behaviors or presented without clarity and meaningfulness            | Creed was presented<br>with confidence, was<br>clearly and<br>meaningfully<br>presented                                     |      |
|              |                             | 1   | 2-3   | 4   |      |

|                          | Individual Speech   |   |   |   | ts 8   |
|--------------------------|---|---|---|---|--------|
| Covers all points        | No individual<br>speech was given   | Individual speech<br>answered less than<br>two required topics<br>or did not<br>adequately explain<br>the topic                                     | Individual speech answered two required topics effectively or minimally answered three topics   | Individual speech<br>answered three<br>required topics<br>effectively and<br>seamlessly   |        |
|                          | 0   | 1   | 2-3   | 4   |        |
| Delivery/<br>Preparation | No individual<br>speech was given   | Presentation was underprepared, lacked structure, had poor timing, or was difficult to follow. Heavy reliance on notes and limited confidence shown | Presentation showed preparation and was generally clear and structured. May have lacked full confidence, a strong intro/conclusion, or ideal timing, but overall met expectations. Some note use may be present | Presentation was delivered with confidence, clearly presented, included an engaging introduction and meaningful conclusion, was well-prepared, memorized, and timed between 2-3 minutes |        |
|                          | 0   | 1   | 2-3   | 4   |        |
|                          |   |   |   |   |        |
|                          | Int   | erview  |   | Total Possible Poi  | nts 21 |
| Leadership<br>Question   | Candidate did not participate in interview or did not answer question             | Question was partially answered   | Question was<br>answered but<br>without expansion<br>or examples  | Questions was<br>answered with<br>thought and effective<br>expansions or<br>examples  |        |
|                          |   | 1   | 2   | 3   |        |
| Situation<br>Question    | Candidate did not<br>participate in<br>interview or did<br>not answer<br>question | Question was partially answered   | Question was<br>answered but<br>without expansion<br>or examples  | Questions was<br>answered with<br>thought and effective<br>expansions or<br>examples  |        |
|                          | 0   | 1   | 2   | 3   |        |

|                           | not answer<br>question  | answered incorrectly  | answered partially<br>correct or<br>required lengthy<br>thought to answer                          | answered accurately<br>and without<br>hesitation  |  |
|---------------------------|---|---|--|---|--|
|                           | 0   | 1   | 2  | 3   |  |
| Follow Up<br>Question     | Candidate did not participate in interview or did not answer question             | Questions were partially answered or did not clarify or expand previously given information       | Answers to questions partially clarified or expanded on previously given information               | Questions were<br>answered to clarify<br>and expand on<br>previously given<br>information                                 |  |
|                           | ·   | 1   | 2  | 3   |  |
| Body Language             | Candidate did not<br>participate in<br>interview or did<br>not answer<br>question | Gestures, posture or mannerisms were distracting or eye contact was inconsistent                  | Gestures, posture,<br>mannerisms and<br>eye contact were<br>appropriately used<br>during interview | Gestures, posture,<br>mannerisms and eye<br>contact contributed<br>to a positive interview                                |  |
|                           | 0   | 1   | 2  | 3   |  |
| Responses to<br>Questions | Candidate did not<br>participate in<br>interview or did<br>not answer<br>question | Candidate did not<br>answer some<br>questions   | Candidate<br>responded to all<br>questions but<br>without accuracy<br>of ease                      | Candidate responded<br>to questions with<br>accuracy and without<br>hesitation  |  |
|                           | 0   | 1   | 2  | 3   |  |
| Communication<br>Skills   | Candidate did not participate in interview or did not answer question             | Candidate briefly answers questions or answered questions well but displayed signs of nervousness | Candidate<br>answered<br>questions and<br>related to<br>interviewers well                          | Candidate was poised, confident, personable, related well to interviewers, and answered questions clearly and effectively |  |
|                           | •   | -   | 2  | 3   |  |

# **Total Points Possible- 100**

**Evaluation Comments:** Please provide specific feedback on any rubric item on which points were deducted. Include two strengths and two opportunities for improvement



# **STATE OFFICER STUDY GUIDE SUMMARY**

| FCCLA Purposes                           |
|--|
| FCCLA Creed                              |
| FCCLA Motto                              |
| FCCLA General Knowledge                  |
| National Publications                    |
| State Publications                       |
| Membership Campaigns                     |
| National Conferences                     |
| State Meetings                           |
| FCCLA Planning Process                   |
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| State Officer Roles and Responsibilities |
| Parliamentary Procedure Information      |
| FCCLA National Website                   |
| Colorado FCCLA Website                   |

**FCCLA Historical Information** 

**FCCLA Mission** 



#### STATE OFFICER STUDY GUIDE

#### WHAT IS FCCLA?

FCCLA is a nonprofit, national Career and Technical Student Organization for young men and women in Family and Consumer Sciences education in schools through grade 12. It is a dynamic and effective national student organization with a central focus on the family that helps its members become strong leaders in their families, careers and communities. FCCLA makes an important difference in the lives of youth and their families, schools, workplaces and communities.

#### **BRIEF FCCLA HISTORY TIMELINE**

#### June 1945

Future Homemakers of America founded at a national convention in Chicago, Illinois.

#### **July 1999**

The name of the organization changed from FHA/HERO to Family, Career and Community Leaders of America or FCCLA in July 1999.

#### **BASIC FCCLA INFORMATION**

#### **Mission Statement**

Our mission is 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 Communication
- Practical Knowledge
- Career Preparation

#### **Purposes**

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

#### Creed

We are the Family, Career and Community Leaders of America. We face the future with warm courage and high hope. For we have the clear consciousness of seeking old and precious values. For we are the builders of homes, homes for America's future, homes where living will be the expression of everything that is good and fair, homes where truth and love and security and faith will be realities, not dreams. We are the Family, Career and Community Leaders of America. We face the future with warm courage and high hope



#### Motto

**Toward New Horizons** 

#### **Program Emphasis**

FCCLA is the only in-school student organization with the family as its central focus. FCCLA 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, and it provides opportunities for active student participation at local, state, and national levels.

#### Membership

In the 2024 – 2025 year, Colorado had 2128 members in 107 chapters.

An FCCLA member must be currently enrolled or have been enrolled in a Family and Consumer Sciences course.

The <u>"Go for the Red" membership campaign</u> is FCCLA's most precious commodity that focuses on the 3 R's of membership:

- Recruit members
- Retain members
- Recognize members

There are four National FCCLA regions. Colorado is part of the Pacific FCCLA region. There are 10 geographic FCCLA membership districts in Colorado. Which are you from?

#### **Colorado FCCLA Governance**

12 state officers are elected by the state interview panel at the annual State Leadership Conference to make up the State Executive Council. The Colorado FCCLA Board of Directors is composed of adult representatives from education and business and three youth representatives. The State Advisory Board is comprised of the District Consultants for each district, the State Executive Council, and other representatives.

#### **State Publications**

Colorado Comments, the official newsletter of Colorado FCCLA, is written by the Colorado State Officers and sent out electronically bi-monthly

#### Official Flower

The official flower is the red rose.

#### **Official Colors**

The FCCLA colors are Red (PMS 185) and White. Red suggests strength, courage, and determination-personal qualities leading to happiness through a positive self-image. White symbolizes sincerity of purpose and integrity of action; qualities that will help individuals build a better tomorrow.



#### Official Pin

The FCCLA Officer Pin is worn over the heart.

#### **National Meetings**

The 2026 National Leadership Conference will be July 6 – July 10, 2026 in Washinton, DC.

#### **State Meetings**

The Colorado FCCLA State Leadership Conference will be held April 2-4, 2026 at the Sheraton Downtown Denver Hotel in Denver, Colorado.

#### **FCCLA PLANNING PROCESS**

The FCCLA five-step planning process is the management tool to help members and advisers plan individual, group, and chapter projects and activities. You may be asked to problem solve using this procedure. You should be able to list and describe the steps of the Planning Process:



#### **Identify Concerns**

- Brainstorm concerns
- Evaluate listed concerns
- Narrow to one workable idea or concern



#### Set a Goal

- Get a clear mental picture of what you want to accomplish
- Write it down
- Evaluate it



#### Form a Plan

- Plan how to achieve the goal
- Decide who, what, where, when, why, and how



#### ACT

Carry out project



#### **Follow Up**

- Evaluate project
- Thank people involved
- Recognize participants



#### **National Programs**

FCCLA national programs were developed to build and strengthen students' leadership skills.



**Career Connection** is a program that guides students to learn more about themselves, the workplace, and careers so that they can put themselves on the pathway to future success.



**Community Service** is a program that guides students to develop, plan, carry out, and evaluate service-learning projects that improve the quality of life in their communities.



**FACTS**—**Families Acting for Community Traffic Safety** is a national peer education program through which students strive to save lives through personal, vehicle, and road safety.



**Families First** is a national peer education program through which youth gain a better understanding of how families work and learn skills to become strong family members.



**Financial Fitness** involves youth teaching one another how to earn, spend, save, and protect money wisely.



**Power of One** is a program that helps students find and use their personal power. Members set their own goals, work to achieve them, and enjoy the results.



**Stand Up** is a program that empowers youth to develop, plan, carry out, and evaluate advocacy activities to improve the quality of life in their communities.



**Student Body** is a peer education program that helps young people discover and practice how to be healthy, fit, real, and resilient.



#### STAR EVENTS

STAR events are national competitive events in which members are recognized for proficiency and achievement in chapter and individual projects, leadership skills and occupational preparation. STAR stands for Students Taking Action with Recognition. Be sure to know how many events there are and be able to name and describe at least three STAR Events.

#### **Colorado State Competitive Events**

Know the names and procedures of five of the State Competitive Events.

- Cake Design
- Fashion Sketch
- Fashion Stylist
- Front of the House
- Gourmet Food Savory Presentation
- Gourmet Food Sweet Presentation
- Habitat for Humanity Interior Design
- International Experience
- Knife Skills
- Thematic Table Setting

#### STATE OFFICER INFORMATION

Learn about the current Colorado FCCLA State Officer Team.

Familiarize yourself with the offices and duties that include:

- President
- First Vice President
- Second Vice President
- Secretary
- Programs
- Vice President of Events
- Vice President of Finance

- Vice President of Membership
- Vice President of Peer Education
- Vice President of Programs
- Vice President of Public Relations
- Vice President of Publications
- Vice President of Recognition
- State Representative

Be familiar with the State Officer Requirements listed in the Student Candidate Information.

Each year, the State Leadership Team develops a Program of Work (POW) that outlines goals for the year. Review the current Program of Work theme.

#### **ADDITIONAL RESOURCES**

FCCLA National Website: www.fcclainc.org

Colorado FCCLA Website: www.coloradofccla.org



#### **Sample Situational Questions**

- As a State Officer, what new goals would you have for the upcoming year?
- If you sat next to the Governor of Colorado or a member of the Colorado State Board of Education, what would you tell him or her about Career and Technical Student Organizations and FCCLA?
- If you got on an elevator with a senator and you have 60 seconds to lobby for funding for FCCLA and other Career and Technical Student Organizations, what would you say?
- You have been asked to help with a project that is not of interest to you. How would you handle this situation?
- You were the FCCLA Chapter President and some of your members were dropping out. How would you handle this?
- Describe a difficult FCCLA situation in which you've been involved and tell how you resolved it?
- When does a leader become a follower?
- How could you involve your chapter in a worthwhile project?
- How would you get more people to join FCCLA?
- What will be your greatest strength as part of the State Officer Team?
- Thinking of a person who has influenced you in a positive way, how has this experience helped you to develop your leadership skills?
- Use three words to describe yourself. If your friend was here, what three words would she/he use to describe you and why?

#### **CTSO Basics**

Career and Technical Student Organizations integrate into Career and Technical Education programs and courses across the country. CTSOs extend teaching and learning through innovative programs, business and community partnerships and leadership experiences at the school, state and national levels.

#### Acronyms

**ACTE** - Association for Career and Technical Education

**BOD** - Board of Directors

**CACTE** - Colorado Association for Career and Technical Education

**CATFACS** - Colorado Association for Teachers of Family and Consumer Sciences

CTE - Career and Technical Education

CTSO- Career and Technical Student Organization

FCS - Family and Consumer Sciences

FCCLA - Family, Career and Community Leaders of America

**NLC** - National Leadership Conference

**POW** - Program of Work

**SEC** - State Executive Council

**SLC** - State Leadership Conference

**STAR** Events - Students Taking Action with Recognition

SEC- State Executive Council

**SO** - State Officer



**SOC** - State Officer Candidate **VP** - Vice President

**WBL** - Work Based Learning

#### **Parliamentary Procedure Basics**

Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised is the authority in all questions of parliamentary procedure. Parliamentary procedure empowers all members and helps ensure more smoothly run meetings. The use of simple parliamentary procedure results in successful business meetings: everyone has an opportunity to voice opinions and vote, business gets done and the meetings are not long, boring and non-productive.

#### **Basic Principles**

- Courtesy and justice for all
- One item of business at a time
- The minority must be heard
- The majority must prevail

#### **Basic Meeting Agenda**

- Call to Order
- Reading of Minutes
- Treasurer's Report
- Committee Reports
- Unfinished Business
- New Business
- Adjournment

#### **Eight Steps to Making a Motion**

- 1. Member rises and asks to speak by stating "Madame/ Mr. Chair?"
- 2. Waits for the chair's "recognition" or permission to speak
- 3. Makes a motion to bring an idea before the group for consideration by saying "I move that..." or "I move to..."
- 4. Another member Seconds the motion by saying ", "I second", or "I second the motion"
- 5. Chair states the motion
- 6. Chair calls for discussion
- 7. Chair takes the vote
- 8. Chair states the result

#### **Basic Motions**

- **Privileged:** motions dealing with the rights or needs of the organization
  - o Examples: Adjournment or raise a question of privilege



- **Subsidiary:** motions applied to other motions
  - o Examples: Amend, lay on the table, stop debate, or refer to committee
- *Incidental:* motions that are related to the pending question
  - o Examples: Point of order, request additional information, or verify vote accuracy



# **Basic Vocabulary** for Parliamentary Procedure

The FCCLA Guide to Preparing Future Advisers

Acclamation—an oral or voice vote

Affirmative—"for" or "yes" vote

Adjourn—to end the meeting

Agenda—order of business for the meeting

Amendment—a change in or addition to the main motion; amendments can also be amended once

Chair, Chairman, Chairperson—person presiding at a meeting

**Debate**—discussion for or against the motion

Division (or Division of the House)—when a member disagrees with a voice vote and calls for a counted vote; does not require a second

**Gavel**—a tool for calling the meeting to order

General (or Unanimous) Consent—if there are no objections, passing a motion without debate or vote

Majority—over half of the votes cast; sometimes called simple majority, which is 50 percent plus 1

Methods of Voting—Voice votes: aye and no, general consent; Roll call: raising hand or standing; Ballot: secret ballot, usually written or recorded by voting machine

Minority—the smaller number; less than 50 percent

Minutes—written record of a meeting

Main Motion—an idea brought before the group for consideration; should be stated—"I move that..." or "I move to..."; must be acted on

Parliamentarian—one who has knowledge of parliamentary procedure and is skilled in its practice

Pending—has not been voted on; is still "on the floor"

Plurality—a larger vote than for any other candidate but not more than half the total votes cast; never elects unless a special rule has been made to that effect

Point of Information—to ask for clarification

**Point of Order**—to correct a breach of order or error in procedure

**Postpone**—puts off a motion until some future time

Previous Question—a call to end discussion and vote on the motion; a second is required

Putting the Question—when chair takes vote for and against a motion and announces the results

Quorum—minimum number of members that must be present to conduct the business of the meeting; usually a simple majority unless otherwise specified in the bylaws

Second—means another member supports motion

**Stating the Question**—chair restates the exact motion after the second and indicates it is open for debate