

Leadership

Leadership. Leadership. Leadership. You might hear now and again that leadership is a skill that can make or break both your academic and “real world” career. Leadership. A simple word, but a complex definition. What is a leader exactly? How do you become a leader? How do you develop those leadership skills that are *so* important?

FCCLA isn't called the “Ultimate Leadership Experience” for nothing...it offers a program of leadership development activities that are both fun and educational. Through leadership meetings, national programs, or the experience of holding a local, regional, state or even national office, FCCLA members are a step ahead of the typical high school graduate.



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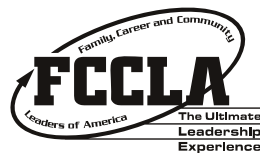
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The Opportunity of a Lifetime...

Skills for Life

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 & consumer sciences, early childhood, and teacher 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.

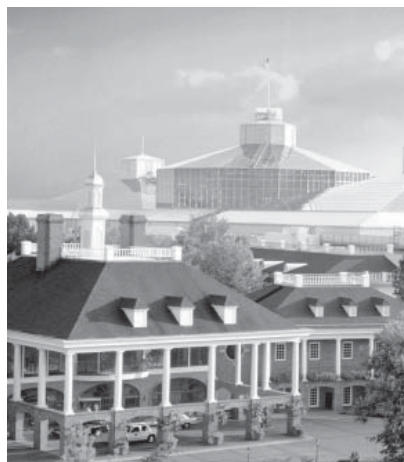


Travel



FCCLA gives its members the opportunity to travel across Michigan - and the nation - to participate in many programs and activities. Visit destinations like Cincinnati, Ohio for a Cluster Meeting, or Nashville, Tennessee for this year's National Leadership Conference.

Several meetings and activities happen right here in Michigan too - like the Fall Leadership Conferences, and best of all - the State Leadership Conference in April.



Programs

FCCLA's programs offer many opportunities for both personal growth, and career preparation. Listed below are just a few of the 12 FCCLA National Programs:



Learn how to link options and skills for success in careers, families, and communities with **Career Connection**.



Community Service helps members turn youth concerns into leadership and action to improve local communities.



Families First is a peer education program designed to prepare young people to become strong family members.



STAR Events are competitive events that build proficiency and achievement in leadership and job related skills.



Student Body is a peer-to-peer outreach initiative that helps young people to eat right, be fit and make healthy choices.