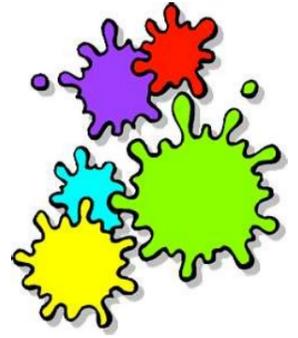


# Kansas FCCLA E-Newsletter



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## Get a new year of FCCLA started off right by having a financially “Fit”

With the current state of the economy staying financially fit can be very tough on a chapter. With FCCLA’s national program Financial Fitness there are many things you can do to save and make money in your local chapter. You may be wondering why does your chapter need so much money to function? Think of potential expenses such as, supplies, affiliation dues, community service projects, fun activities and field trips, recognition of members and sponsors, and attendance at the Fall Leadership Conference, State Leadership Conference, or National conferences.

The first thing you can do is create a budget. It is important to know both where the money is coming from and going to, in order to set financial goals for the chapter. The budget should be updated on a monthly basis to keep your records up to date.



There many things your chapter can do to bring in money. First, explore what type of fundraising is already done in your school and community. Find out why some projects are successful, while others are not. What are strong needs for goods and services? Who will be making the purchases and what would be an acceptable price? What are the costs to the chapter for providing these goods and/or services?

FCCLA chapters have sold food items, t-shirts, cooking utensils, and many other items. Some rake yards, shovel snow or provide childcare during special events. For more fundraising ideas and to share your experiences, network with other members at workshops and other FCCLA meetings, or on the KS FCCLA Facebook group wall. Teen Times, the FCCLA national magazine, is full of ideas from around the nation. Visit [fcclainc.org](http://fcclainc.org) for more fresh ideas on fundraising in your chapter.

There are many opportunities at the local, state and national level to fund the type of activities that FCCLA members participate in through grants. Advisors receive notices about grants from the state and national offices, and you can visit the websites to view current ideas.



Lastly, many communities have service organizations that provide financial support to youth who are participating in leadership activities. Adults understand that it is the youth who will be our leaders of tomorrow. They want to encourage members in organizations such as FCCLA to reach their potential. They may require an application, presentation, or participation in one of their events to qualify. The outcome could have at least two positive outcomes: sharing information about FCCLA and financial support for years to come.

Whatever methods your chapter chooses, get as many members involved as possible. It will be a terrific opportunity to learn new skills and have fun along the way! Good luck to your chapter in becoming financially fit!

- Jordan Ivey, V.P of Corporate Relations and Finance

## Kansas FCCLA Takes “AIM”



Kansas FCCLA hosted it’s annual Take AIM (Active and Involved Members) conference. The Take AIM conference was hosted in Salina, KS at the Webster Conference Center August 29-30. The Take AIM conference is intended to get new members and officers of FCCLA excited about the upcoming year of FCCLA. Officers of FCCLA were able to also get a preview of the State officers workshop and the Peer education teams workshops for the year.

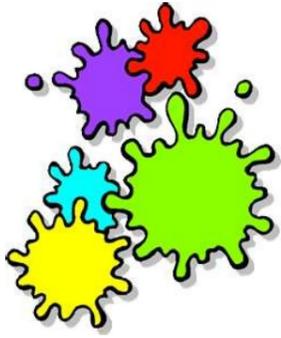


## Be rewarded for all your hard work

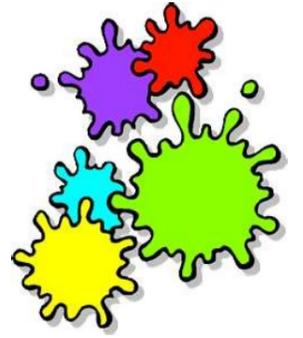
Do you have a new adviser bringing new life to your chapter? Maybe she’s also encouraging a large portion of your members to compete in STAR events? If so, you should get the recognition you deserve! This year there are two new awards to apply for. The first is called the Novice Adviser of the Year award. This award has been created to recognize new advisers who came into a chapter with lots of excitement and encouragement to create an active chapter. All applicants for this award must have been an adviser for three or fewer years. The second new award is a part of this year’s membership awards. It is called the SuperSTAR Chapter. It will be awarded to the chapter with the highest percentage participation in Star Events at any given level. You can apply for this award on the membership form. I encourage you to apply for the new awards and the past awards to receive great recognition this year! Don’t forget, the deadline will be March 1st, 2012!



- Jordan Deters, V.P of Membership and Recognition



# To Infinity and Beyond with FCCLA



Buzz Light-year's famous quote can be taken literally when it comes to FCCLA! Think about it! FCCLA has a program to prepare all of its members for life beyond high school, so let's take a look at a few of these to see where FCCLA can take you! One of the simplest ways to improve something about yourself through FCCLA is to complete one of the five Power of One Units, in the 'Working on Working' unit members help prepare themselves for a career by creating resumes, researching potential careers, and learning the do's and don'ts of business.

The 'Working on Working' Power of One unit is a great way for FCCLA members to prepare themselves for their future. Another great option FCCLA offers is the National Program, Families First, which serves FCCLA members by helping them learn the importance of family values and how the function of the family works in society. One of the biggest and broadest opportunities FCCLA has to offer is STAR Events, no matter what your goal or interest, there is definitely a STAR Event for you! STAR Events are great ways to improve your public speaking skills, also a needed skill for your future! The STAR Event Advocacy was a brand new STAR event last year and it allows you to advocate for a cause that you feel strongly about. Whether you want to pursue a career in fashion design, or just want to help someone through a community service project, STAR the great things FCCLA offers its members to prepare them, let FCCLA take you, "To Infinity and Beyond!"



Events have a place for everyone! These are just a few of all for their futures, so whatever option you choose or even all of

-Jenny Koops, V.P of Individual Programs

## Community Service Time!

Community Service is one of the BEST ways your chapter can give back to the community. As you start to plan ahead for your year, start to think of community service projects your chapter can do within your community. The more you can get the members involved the better the outcome of your community service project will be.



### My top ideas for projects:

1. "Mystery" dinner to raise money for "Share Our Strengths"
2. Trick or Treat for "Soles for Souls"
3. Clean up trash after a sporting event
4. Christmas caroling around your towns nursing homes with your chapter members and their families
5. Ring bells for the salvation army as a chapter
6. Penny Wars between classes at your high school/junior high
7. Dance and Auction to raise money for the community service projects
8. 5k race with an entry fee to raise money
9. FCCLA hosted Car Wash
10. Volunteer at your local homeless shelter as a chapter

NO matter what your chapter decides to do, any idea is a great idea! I cannot wait to see and hear all about what your chapters do throughout this amazing year with Kansas FCCLA!

-Raimie Platt, First Vice President



Capitol Leadership Conference-

Washington D.C  
October 9-12

National Cluster Meetings-

Denver  
November 11-13

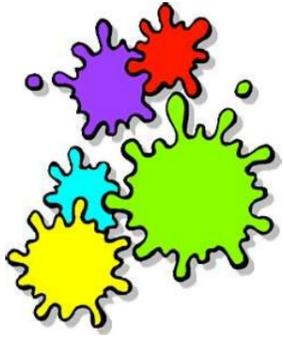
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November 11-13

Atlanta  
November 18-20

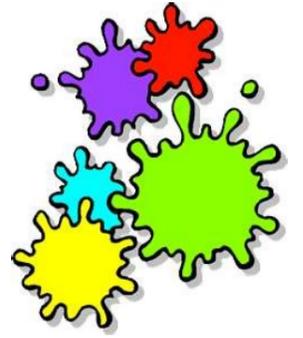
# Check out Kansas FCCLA on Facebook!



**Join the Group!**  
**"Kansas FCCLA: 2011-2012 Creativity Unleashed"**



# Ten Fun ways to incorporate National Programs into your Chapter



- 1) Any type of community service project, big or small. The only limit on what you can do is your creativity. Use the Community Service program.
- 2) A mock drunk driving/texting accident. Use the FACTS Program.
- 3) Host a career fair. Use the Career Connection or Dynamic Leadership Program.
- 4) Have a "Ghost Day". Find the statistics of the people who are killed in car crashes each year. Apply that to your student body and pick people to be the "Ghosts". Pick them throughout the day and once they have been picked, no one can talk to them and they can't talk to people. This will show the student body just how many people die each year. Use the FACTS Program.
- 5) Try and promote healthy eating and healthy habits. Use the Student Body Program.
- 6) Try to end bullying. Find creative ways to show the students how serious bullying is and the statistics of bullying. Use the STOP The Violence Program.
- 7) Try to promote family time. You can organize members into little "families" and create a series of tasks that they must complete as a group. Not only will it teach teamwork, it will show that you must be a strong family in order to complete things. Use the Families First Program.
- 8) Help teach your members to be financially fit. Give them a budget based on a career and have a "market" set up so that they can try to live off of that budget. Provide play money and see who comes out as the most conservative member. Use the Financial Fitness Program.
- 9) Start a "Make A Difference Day" Members or students can go around the community doing various clean up jobs and general community service. Use the Community Service Program.
- 10) If you want someone to come and talk to your members about a program, contact the Peer Ed members. Their workshops will help teach your members about a national program in a fun, interactive way and will light a fire under your members to make a difference



-Morgan Schremmer, V.P of Peer Education Programs

## KANSAS 2011-2012 PEER EDUCATION TEAMS



- Bobbi Anderson
- Brexton Lukens
- Lauren Hughes
- Rachel Boyd

- Saige Ryan
- Jamie Cockerham
- Allison Murphy
- Maggie Thibault
- Dani Bradrick



- Maria Lara
- Aubree Broyles
- Tayla Geist
- Blaine Brugardt

- Tess Tanius
- Pallie Koehn
- Andrew Puechen

