

# Devine FCCLA Handbook Devine High School



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Dear Members!

Welcome to Devine FCCLA (*Family, Career and Community Leaders of America*) a Co-Curricular student led organization through the Family and Consumer Science Department.

### About FCCLA:

(FCCLA) is a dynamic and effective national student organization with over 199,000 members nationwide that helps students become leaders and address important personal, family, work, and societal issues through Family and Consumer Sciences education. There are over 24,000 members in Texas!

FCCLA: The Ultimate Leadership Experience is unique among youth organizations because its programs are planned and run by members, and it's the only career and technical in-school student organization with a **central focus on careers that support families**. Participation in national FCCLA programs, competitive events and chapter activities helps members become strong leaders in their families, careers, and communities.

### Member Involvement:

Students can be as active as they choose. They can participate in leadership, community service and activities at the local, region, state or national level.

All Membership dues include Local, State and National Dues + Club Tshirt **\$35**

Local Involvement:	Region, State & National Involvement:
<b>Leadership:</b> run for local office or committee chair. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Volunteer to bring snacks to meetings. Participate as a San Antonio Stock Show Tour Guide</li><li>• Volunteer at the National Night Out FCCLA Booth</li><li>• Participate in the Club float at the Devine Cactus festival</li></ul> <b>Community Service:</b> participate by donating time or items in local projects throughout the year.	Power of One National Programs Community Service Projects Scholarships Spotlight on Projects STAR Events Conferences  Information can be found on the <a href="http://fcclainc.org">fcclainc.org</a> website or in your student portal membership sign in.

### DEVINE FCCLA Chapter Bylaws:

#### I) Name and Purposes

- A) Name The name of this chapter of Family, Career and Community Leaders of America, Inc. shall be Devine FCCLA.

### **B) *Mission Statement:***

The mission of FCCLA 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 leaders, members develop skills for life through: character development; creative and critical thinking; interpersonal communication; practical knowledge; and career preparation.

### **C) *Purpose:*** The 8 purposes of the organization shall reflect national standards as follows:

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 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.

## **II) Membership**

### **A) Active membership:**

Students currently, previously, or plan on being enrolled in family and consumer sciences classes in grades 6-12 shall be eligible for membership in the organized chapter within the school. Members will retain active membership during the time they are enrolled in school through grade 12 as long as their dues are paid each year. Active members shall be eligible to hold office, make motions, and vote on chapter issues.

B) Membership dues are \$35 and due by September 30th of each school year. Members who join later in the school year during 1st semester will pay \$22 and be affiliated for the current school year. Members who join during 2nd semester, will pay membership dues for the following school year.

### **C) Participation:**

Members are encouraged to follow the detailed sequence; however, it is not required.

1. Step One for new members to attend Fall Leadership meeting
2. Participate in Power of One, National Programs and local projects
3. STAR Events or Spotlight on Projects for current or new members to attend Region, State, and National Leadership Conference if qualified.

### **D) Competitions: Spotlight on Projects and STAR Events**

Members must fill out an application form and present their project for tryouts. If selected members are required to meet project deadlines and are subject to dismissal and competition fees as outlined in the competition agreement between the chapter, member and parents.

## **III) Meetings**

- A) Chapter meetings shall be held the 1st Wednesday of each month during lunch.
- B) Chapter Officer Meetings will be held a week prior to member meetings at lunch.
- C) Special meetings shall be called by the President if necessary to conduct chapter business.

## **IV) Officers**

#### A) Officers & Elections

Candidates will follow Region guidelines to run for office. Students must fill out an application, sign up for tryouts, perform a one minute speech, answer an FCCLA Fact question and Thought Question. Senior officers are allowed to watch tryouts and have inputs on elections.

#### B) Duties and Requirements can be found in Amendment VII: B

#### C) Region and State Officers

Chapter Officers are eligible to run for Region and State Office positions.

#### D) Vacancies

In the event that a vacancy occurs in a chapter office, the next candidate in order of votes automatically becomes the officer for the remainder of the year. When this plan is not possible, a new officer shall be elected by the chapter.

### V) Committees

#### A) Committees

##### 1. Community Service Committee and/or Leadership and Programs Committee

B) Responsibilities: Members of each committee are supervised under a local officer. They will meet and plan special events for our local chapter and community. Findings will be presented at Chapter Officer Meetings and must be approved.

### VI) Finances

#### A) Budget

The FCCLA fiscal year shall correspond to the Waukee Community Schools fiscal year, July 1 to June 30 each year. The yearly budget will be determined by the chapter officers and will reflect local, Region, State, and National projects and community service expenses. The budget must be balanced according to incoming revenues.

#### B) Dues: Chapter, State, National Total \$35

##### *Chapter Dues*

The chapter officers shall determine the local membership dues subject to approval by the members of the chapter. They shall be in addition to the National and State dues. They shall be due by September 30th of each school year.

Chapter dues are \$18 and include a Chapter shirt.

Dues paid after September 30th will be \$5 and not include a chapter shirt.

##### *State Dues*

The State dues are determined by the State organization. State dues are \$8.

##### *National Dues*

The National dues are determined by the National organization. National dues are \$9.

#### C) Fundraisers

The Chapter is allowed to host two fundraisers per year and one special national fundraiser if needed per year. The chapter can host unlimited donation drives.

#### D) Conference Expenses

*Region and State Conference:* Fees and rooms will be paid by the Schools FCCLA Budget. Generally there is no allotted meal money for students unless members choose to take funds out of their activity fund. Depending on the budget and participants, students may be required to pay some fees.

*National Conference:* If funds remain in the allotted FCCLA School Budget fees will be paid. Members are responsible for all other expenses including room, travel and meals. The chapter may vote to decide to fund national competitors. Generally Region and State Officers are not allowed to go unless Devine FCCLA has a competitor. However eligible officers may be responsible for the cost of their trip if enough funds are not available.

## **VII) Amendments**

- A) All members are subject to the expectations and discipline outlined in the **Devine ISD: Extracurricular Activity Handbook**.
- B) All chapter officers are required to uphold standards found in **Officer Requirements**.
- C) An amendment may be adopted at any regular meeting by a two-thirds vote of the active members present at a chapter meeting with an approval signature from the President, providing it is not in conflict with the state constitution or that of the National FCCLA organization. Amendments are adopted immediately unless otherwise noted. Chapter members may propose the amendment to the chapter President two weeks before the monthly chapter meeting.

**VIII) Parliamentary Authority** The rules found in **Robert's Rule of Order Newly Revised** will govern the business meetings of the chapter where appropriate

**Amendment VII:** A: Devine ISD Extracurricular Activity Handbook