

Pennsylvania FCCLA Back to School Release

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To: PA FCCLA Chapter Advisers and Members, Board of Directors, Teacher Educators,
State Executive Council

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New Adviser's Retreat: We are putting together a unique opportunity for professional development and FCCLA information. Join us October 4 through 6 at the Woodlands Resort in Wilkes-Barre. Registration is due by August 30 so check out the [webpage](#) soon and register.

Regional FCCLA Leadership Meetings (RLM): Registration information for [Regional Leadership Meetings](#) can be found on the PA FCCLA website. Registration deadline is October 5.

Central RLM: Monday, October 21 at Harrisburg Area Community College (limited attendance)

Eastern RLM: Friday, October 25 at Reading Area Community College

North Western RLM: Friday, November 1 at BC3@Brockway Community College (limited attendance)

South Western RLM: Friday, November 15 at Westmoreland County Community College

State Leadership Conference (SLC): The Annual Pennsylvania State Leadership Conference will be held on Monday, March 30, to Wednesday, April 1, 2020 at The Penn Stater, 215 Innovation Blvd, State College, PA 16803. [Download information](#) from our website.

The deadline to submit conference and STAR Event registration is **January 22, 2020.**

The deadline to reserve hotel accommodations using the PA FCCLA SLC hotel block is February 5, 2020.

Now is the time to sponsor the [RLM and SLC t-shirt](#). Info is on the SLC page of the website.

SLC Cost Preview:

1. STAR Event Participant registration fee will be \$10 per participant payable to PA FCCLA.

2. Conference registration and all meals, snack breaks, and service charges will be \$300 payable to PA FCCLA. The Penn Stater is known for having snack stations with a large variety of beverages and snacks.

3. Lodging is paid to The Penn Stater. Cancellation and refunds follows the resort's policies.

Standard Room \$148.74 tax included per night x 2 nights = \$297.48 total for conference

Divide cost by the number of people in the room.

Competitive Events:

- At State Leadership Conference: STAR Events will be held on Monday and Tuesday.
- Obtain the Competitive Events Guide through your chapter affiliation portal. The anticipated release date of the 2019-2020 Competitive Events Guide is end of October. Please verify that you are using the 2019-20 updated version. Watch for additional updates throughout the year.
- There are several STAR Events that are only offered at the Pennsylvania level. Obtain information from the PA FCCLA website <http://www.pafcccla.org/general-information/star-events>.
- Continually check the national and state websites for updates and information.
- We will follow the National FCCLA Baking and Pastry STAR Events and advance to national level.

Competitive Events Updates: Do not make any event decisions until you check the official Competitive Events Guide on the affiliation portal after October. The overall change is replacing Categories with Levels. Level 1 are members through grade 8; Level 2 are members in grades 9 and 10; and Level 3 are members in grades 11 and 12. That means that comprehensive and occupational members will compete together. Future plans are to create different rubrics for the different levels. There are name changes to some events and a new event added. Information will be sent to you soon in a STAR Events 411.

PA FCCLA State-wide Projects: (Entire information will be on our PA FCCLA website.)

1. **PA Membership Campaign** is “[Kicking Off FCCLA Membership](#)”.
2. **PA Outreach Project** is “[Kickin’ it with Kindness](#)”.

For Your Chapter Officers

Our State President Abbey Kinney wishes to contact your **chapter officers**. Please pass along Abbey’s email address akinney@pafccla.org to your chapter officers and ask them to email her with “Hello, My name is _____, and I am the president of (FCCLA chapter name).”

Chapter Membership Affiliation

1. **December 15** is the Pennsylvania FCCLA affiliation deadline in order for students to participate in STAR Events. Advisers should affiliate early. PA FCCLA recommends affiliating at least 12 members by November 1 in order to have access to all national services including the national affiliation portal that provides the Competitive Events Guide.
2. Remit \$18 dues (National \$9 and State \$9) per member and adviser following the instructions on the National FCCLA affiliation website at <http://www.fcclainc.org/>. Click on the “Chapter Login” link at the top of the webpage. If you need help, review the Membership Affiliation documents for instructions through the initial steps of the process, found on the “Join FCCLA” link.
3. Chapters, who have less than 12 members, should call Mrs. Standley for information.
4. Any middle level chapter with more than 27 students has the option of affiliating all Family and Consumer Sciences students for a flat fee of \$500. (\$250 national and \$250 state) These chapters must contact Mrs. Standley prior to affiliation to work out setting up the bulk enrollment flat fee.

We are looking forward to an exciting year!

Mark your calendars:

October 5	Registration deadline for RLM
October 21	Central RLM at Harrisburg Area Community College
October 25	Eastern RLM at Reading Area Community College
November 1	National Affiliation to have access to STAR Events information.
November 1	North Western RLM at BC3@Brockway
November 15	South Western RLM at Westmoreland County Community College
December 15	Pennsylvania Affiliation deadline to be eligible to participate in STAR Events.
January 22	Registration deadline for SLC
February 5	SLC Hotel Reservations deadline
March 30 – April 1	SLC at The Penn Stater
July 5 – 9	NLC at Washington DC