

FAMILY, CAREER AND COMMUNITY LEADERS OF AMERICA

Bandera High School

FCCLA Chapter

CONSTITUTION

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# CONSTITUTION

## ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this organization shall be Bandera High School Family, Career and Community Leaders of America. The letters FCCLA may be officially used to designate the organization. Its units, divisions, or members thereof may be designated FCCLA.

## ARTICLE II - MISSION AND PURPOSES

### Section I: Mission

The mission of Family, Career and Community Leaders of America 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 communications;
- . practical knowledge, and;
- . career preparation.

### Section II: Purposes

Organized instruction relating to the mission is a part of the family and consumer sciences education program in the schools. The purposes of the organization shall be 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 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, family and consumer sciences careers and related occupations.

### **ARTICLE III - ORGANIZATION**

Section I. The Bandera High School Chapter of the Family, Career and Community Leaders of America, Inc. is a local unit of the Texas Association of the National Family, Career and Community Leaders of America, Inc.

Section II. This chapter accepts in full the provisions in the constitution and bylaws of the Texas Association of Family, Careers and Consumer Leaders of America and shall be composed of students meeting the qualifications for membership as listed in Article IV, Membership. Chapter members must be enrolled or have been enrolled in a family and consumer sciences course.

Section III. The state and region handbook, FCCLA Chapter Handbook shall be the official guide for the Bandera High School chapter.

### **ARTICLE IV -MEMBERSHIP**

Section I. Membership in this organization shall be (1) active and (2) associate.

Section II. Active membership- Any student who is regularly enrolled in Bandera High School may be eligible for active membership in FCCLA. Active members shall be or shall have been enrolled in a family and consumer sciences class. Such active membership may be retained as long as the pupil continues to attend Bandera High School and has paid dues to an affiliated chapter. Active members may wear the official FCCLA pin with the official guard.

Section III. Active members are subject to the jurisdiction of the Bandera ISD Extracurricular Code of Conduct in addition to the Bandera High School FCCLA Constitution.

### **ARTICLE V - OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES**

Section I. The officers of the Bandera High School chapter shall be president, vice president of Star Events, vice-president of programs, vice-president of community service, recording secretary, corresponding secretary, parliamentarian and historian.

Section II. THE PRESIDENT shall preside at all business meetings of the chapter; shall be a member ex officio of all committees except the Nominating Committee; shall be a member ex officio of all committees except the Nominating Committee, both standing and special; shall guide the work of the year and perform any duty as president, in the parliamentary authority adopted.

Section III. VICE-PRESIDENT OF PROGRAMS shall be an aide to the president and shall, in the absence of the president, perform the duties of that office. This officer shall work with members of the Program Committee to plan and promote the program of work.

Section IV. VICE-PRESIDENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICE shall promote community service activities with the chapter.

Section V. VICE-PRESIDENT OF STAR EVENTS shall chair the STAR Events Committee to assist in the organization and implementation of STAR Events at the state level.

Section VI. THE RECORDING SECRETARY shall keep an accurate record of the proceeding of the meeting of chapter meetings as well as the executive council meetings.

Section VII. THE TREASURER shall keep an accurate record of receipts and disbursements, make reports as directed, and disburse money as approved by the accredited members and chapter advisors.

Section VIII. THE HISTORIAN shall keep a record of the chapter's activities for the scrapbook.

Section IX. THE PARLIAMENTARIAN shall assist and advise the president on points of parliamentary law and shall chair the Constitution and Nominating Committees.

Section X. Other officers may be elected as deemed appropriate by the local advisor and/or governing body.

## **ARTICLE VI - ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Section I. Requirements to run for an officer position are:

- a. Member must be passing all subjects.
- b. Member must have regular attendance in school and at all meetings.
- c. Member should try and schedule a Family and Consumer Science class during the school year.
- d. Member must be able to attend all local meetings, all of our out of town meetings, such as regional and state meetings. (If more than two meetings are missed without prior approval, the officer will be asked to resign from their office and will not be allowed to run for an officer position the following year.
- e. Member must be able to attend officer training.
- f. If an officer is sent to ISS or AEP for any reason, the officer must resign from their office and will not be allowed to run for an office in FCCLA. Student can still be a member in the organization.
- g. Officers are subject to the jurisdiction of the Bandera ISD Extracurricular Code of Conduct in addition to the Bandera High School FCCLA Constitution.
- h. If any one of the above requirements is violated, the officer will be asked to relinquish his or her position. The office will be dissolved or another officer will take the position or another election will be held to fill the position.
- i. If a vacancy occurs in any office except that of the president, it shall be filled for the unexpired term by election of a new candidate from the chapter.

j. If an officer cannot fulfill the responsibilities as stated on the chapter calendar, he/she will be required to resign the designated office. The only exception would be illness or death in the family.

Section II. The members present at any regular meeting of the chapter shall elect chapter officers annually.

#### **ARTICLE VII – EXECUTIVE COUNCIL**

There shall be a chapter executive council for the purpose of planning and guiding the chapter's programs. It shall be composed of the officers and the advisors.

#### **ARTICLE VIII - MEETINGS**

Section I. There shall be monthly meetings of the chapter with the date, time, and place to be arranged by the Executive Council and Advisors.

#### **ARTICLE IX - AMENDMENTS**

Section I. The Constitution may be amended at any chapter meeting by two-thirds (2/3) of those delegates present and voting.

#### **ARTICLE X - DUES**

Section I. Annual membership dues in the Bandera Chapter of FCCLA shall be fixed by the Executive Council and Advisors. Membership dues shall be received on or before November 1. Dues for additional members due to transfers or new second semester family and consumer sciences students should be sent by February 15.