

2026

STATE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

MARCH 27-30



FCCLA FLORIDA

State Leadership Conference

Orlando, Florida

March 27-30, 2026

Doubletree by Hilton Orlando at SeaWorld
10100 International Drive
Orlando
Orlando, FL 32821



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PURPOSES - The basic purpose of the State Leadership Conference is to provide FCCLA members the opportunity for personal and leadership development, as well as the opportunity to compete in Florida Proficiency Events and National STAR Events.

ATTENDANCE -

1. Each chapter will provide at least one chaperone for each ten (10) students attending SLC. It is advisable to include male chaperones for male students. No student will be allowed to attend the conference without an assigned registered adviser.
2. To be eligible to attend the SLC, students must meet these basic criteria:
 - a. Be an active member of FCCLA
 - b. Have the approval of their chapter adviser
 - c. Have the approval of their school
 - d. Have the approval of their parents and/or guardians if under the age of eighteen
3. Each chapter to be represented at the conference will determine its own participants, register and submit registration for both students and advisers, will register for housing directly through the hotel, and will assume all responsibility for the conduct of their participants while attending the conference.
- 4. All conference attendees must stay in designated conference housing during the conference, otherwise students will not be allowed to compete. A \$125 per-day, per-participant fee will be assessed if not using the conference hotel. Please reserve early to ensure hotel room availability.**

Join FCCLA members from all over the state for a leadership experience that you will not forget! All affiliated members and advisers are invited to attend and celebrate how you **Go for the Gold with Florida FCCLA** during the 2025-2026 school year. Every year, FCCLA members from across Florida gather to network with fellow members, attend leadership workshops, take part in Competitive Events, explore career pathways, and learn from industry experts. Don't miss this amazing opportunity to become part of the Ultimate Leadership Experience at the 2026 Florida FCCLA State Leadership Conference!

CONFERENCE LINKS

Conference Website: <https://flfccla.org/26slc/>

Chapter Registration: <https://registermychapter.com/fccla/fl/Main.asp>

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Florida FCCLA, P.O. Box 22733, Tampa, FL 33622

For assistance, contact us at info@flfccla.org

STATE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

- ★ Exciting and Powerful sessions
- ★ State Officer Candidate Networking Opportunities
- ★ Florida Proficiency and National STAR Competitive Events on Saturday
- ★ Culinary Arts and Baking & Pastry at Valencia College (includes transportation) on Saturday
- ★ Vendors & Exhibitors Market on Saturday & Sunday
- ★ Knowledge Bowl Tournament
- ★ Sing & Shout - FCCLA Karaoke Concert AND Team Trivia on Saturday Night (\$5 entry)
- ★ Interactive Student and Adult Workshops on Sunday
- ★ Teacher Professional Development Workshops on Sunday
- ★ 2026-2027 State Theme and Target Presentation and Theme T-shirt
- ★ **Included Meals**: Friday Welcome Pizza Party & Sunday Dinner/Dance Awards Banquet

SLC REGISTRATION FEES (includes Friday and Sunday night meals)

Student Competitor - \$195

Non-Competitor Student - \$170

Adviser - \$125

Chaperone - \$75

Alumni - FREE with evaluator or volunteer opportunity

ADDITIONAL COSTS TO CONSIDER

- Meals not included in registration
- Touring, excursions, and shopping expenses
- Sing & Shout - FCCLA Karaoke Concert & Team Trivia
- Hotel and Room charges (i.e. room service, incidentals)
- Cash for auctions, FCCLA Store, and community service donations
- **Ticket for Parents/Guests to attend Monday Morning's Awards & Recognition Session - \$10**

Competitive Events

During the 2026 FCCLA State Leadership Conference, some students may compete in Florida Proficiency Events and/or STAR Events. For a complete listing of all events for the events available this year, please visit the [Competitive Events site](#) on the Florida FCCLA website.

All parents/guests wishing to attend the Monday Morning Awards & Recognition Session must purchase a one-day attendee badge for \$10. Badge sales will be announced before SLC, and on-site badge sales will also be available.

At this year's State Leadership Conference, we have the privilege of hosting three FCCLA National Officers! We're excited to have our members, advisers, and guests engage with Madison Goodwin, National VP of Finance, Joey Miller, First Vice President, & Emma Pitman, National VP of Community Service.

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SCHOLARSHIPS and AWARDS

There are **Scholarships** for Bachelor, Associate, and Certificate Programs (applied to current FACS curriculum) as well as the **Leadership Development Scholarships**. *Please take an opportunity to review these in detail.*

Awards for Middle School Member of the Year, High School Member of the Year, Chapter Officer of the Year, Adviser of the Year, FCCLA Spirit, Outstanding Community Service, Exemplary Social Media Engagement, and Career Readiness should be nominated by chapter or district advisers. Application link is found on our State Website (also linked below)

Scholarships & Awards - Florida FCCLA Website Link

<https://flfccla.org/scholarships-and-awards/>

All applications must be emailed to the Florida FCCLA state office by March 1, 2026 5pm EST to info@flfccla.org.

COMMUNITY SERVICE EVENTS

1. **McFamily Care Packages** for Ronald McDonald House - This year, Florida FCCLA has partnered with Ronald McDonald House to help our local communities. Please bring non-perishable items from your chapter for this activity. McFamily Care Packs bring comfort and support to families when they need it most. Each pack is filled with non-perishable food items and a little extra love to help brighten their day and remind them they're not alone. It's care from our family to yours.
2. **Sing and Shout - FCCLA Karaoke Concert & Team Trivia Night** - Sing your heart out at the Saturday night entertainment show. \$5 per participant - proceeds benefit the FCCLA Scholarship Fund.
3. **Knowledge Bowl** - Chapter Teams can register to play for \$20; bracket play; proceeds benefit FCCLA Alumni Association Fund.



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STATE OFFICER CANDIDATES

Congratulations to our State Officer Candidates! You have worked hard to reach this point. The challenge is still yet to come, as personal responsibility and self-discipline are needed to surpass opposing candidates and exceed basic expectations.

All candidates and their advisers will be provided a detailed schedule for each officer candidate. Many of the events will also be found on the event agenda. As the agenda is exhaustive, please govern your decisions accordingly. Pay special attention to the 2nd General Session where you will be required to sit near the front and present your speech onstage. It is your responsibility to adhere to the times outlined in the final agenda. State Officer Candidates are NOT permitted to serve as Voting Delegates.

Ensure you have met all current requirements by reviewing the handbook, bylaws, attending the orientation sessions virtually, and reading all emails and documents sent to you. Congratulations! You have chosen to go where few have gone before!

VOTING PROCEDURES

- **Each chapter is allowed two voting delegates.**
- Voting Delegates **must** attend the Round Robin (3/27) and the Second General Session (3/29) wearing their Voting Delegate ribbons.
- Voting Delegates are required to sit in their assigned seating section.
- Voting Delegates must remain in the room until votes are counted in the event of a run-off.
- Those arriving after the scheduled voting time will not be allowed to vote.

VENDORS & EXHIBITORS

MARKET

Exhibitors and Vendors will be available on **Saturday, March 28th, 9am-4pm** and **Sunday March 29th, 10am-3pm**. Exhibitor/Vendor space is \$50 for school chapters - pricing for non-chapters is available on the Florida FCCLA Website under Outreach - Become a Sponsor. Space is limited; reserve NOW! Contact us at info@flfccla.org for additional information.



NAME BADGES

Name badges will be provided and must be worn at all times for security and identification for

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ALL conference functions. Do NOT wear your badge off-property.

DELEGATES WITH DISABILITIES

FCCLA will make reasonable accommodations for our members with disabilities. In the FCCLA Registration Portal, there is a section in each participant's registration for Special Needs. Please use the request to note special needs so that accommodations may be provided. If you have special needs at the hotel, please be sure to include that with your hotel reservation form.

CONDUCT

The very nature of the SLC demands that all delegates conduct themselves as "leaders." The state office has established guidelines that contribute to the learning experience of the delegates. Please ensure that these guidelines are followed. Please make sure that all attendees understand the conduct code prior to acknowledging it. Infractions will not be tolerated.

SUPERVISION

You must provide one registered adult for each ten (10) students you register. Please be sure that every adult you are bringing to assist you with the supervision of your delegates understands that they must be in the sessions, at the dance, checking rooms periodically during the day, checking all rooms at curfew, walking the halls for a period after curfew, and are subject to the same conduct code and dress code as are the teachers and students.

HOTEL CHECK-IN AND CHECK-OUT

Hotel check in time is 4:00pm. **While rooms may not be available until that time, attendees will have access to a luggage holding area, which gives them the opportunity to arrive and register early in the day.** Hotel check-out time is 11:00am. All participants must check-out prior to this time on the day of their departure.

The hotel has been advised to make no charges to a room unless a credit card is provided. While the majority of students will likely have cell phones, please remind those that do not have cell phones that using a prepaid phone card or a calling card saves money and problems later as calls from hotel rooms to outside lines are very expensive.

All incidental charges must be paid upon departure. No incidentals will be posted to the master bill. Advisers are required to inspect all guest rooms prior to checking out with the hotel. Chapters will be liable for any damage done to rooms or excessive cleaning charges from the hotel for rooms if in an out of the ordinary condition.



2026 State Leadership Conference
Schedule At-A-Glance

(12.29.25)

Friday March 27	Saturday March 28	Sunday March 29	Monday March 30
<p>8:00 AM - 5:00 PM Chapter Registration **Community Service & Alumni open</p> <p>9:00 AM - 3:00 PM Optional Excursion - On Your Own</p> <p>3:00 - 3:20 PM Candidate Knowledge Exam</p> <p>3:30 - 3:50 PM Courtesy Corps Orientation</p> <p>4:00 - 6:00 PM Welcome Pizza Party & Lawn Games <i>Meal Provided to Attendees</i></p> <p>5:00 - 5:30 PM Voting Delegate Orientation</p> <p>5:30 - 6:00 PM All Candidates Round Robin</p> <p>6:00 - 7:00 PM Regional Officer Candidate Speeches Voting Delegates - Voting</p> <p>5:30 - 6:15 PM Adviser Welcome Reception</p> <p>7:45 - 9:15 PM First General Session</p> <p>9:15 - 9:40 PM Regional/District Meetings</p> <p>11:00 PM Curfew</p>	<p>6:30 - 8:00 AM Breakfast (On Your Own)</p> <p>7:30 - 8:00 AM Competitive Events Evaluator Training Room Consultant Folder Pickup</p> <p>8:30 AM - 7:00 PM <u>Competitive Events</u> <i>Refer to Competitive Events Schedule</i></p> <p>9:00 AM - 4:00 PM <u>Vendors & Exhibitors Market</u></p> <p>4:00 - 5:45 PM Server Relay Competitive Event <i>Live Audience Welcome!</i></p> <p>6:00 - 8:00 PM Dinner (On Your Own)</p> <p>8:45 - 10:00 PM <u>Sing & Shout: FCCLA Karaoke & Team Trivia Night</u></p> <p>11:00 PM Curfew</p> <p><u>*Fashion Show information will be announced February 2026</u></p>	<p>6:30 - 7:30 AM Breakfast (On Your Own)</p> <p>8:00 - 9:45 AM Second General Session Business Session President-Elect & Junior Relations Candidate Speeches Voting Delegates - Voting</p> <p>9:45 AM - 4:00 PM <u>Workshops - Rotating Schedule</u></p> <p>10:00 AM - 3:00 PM <u>Vendors & Exhibitors Market</u></p> <p>10:00 - 10:15 AM Graduating Seniors Meeting</p> <p>10:30 AM- 12:00 PM Knowledge Bowl Competition</p> <p>1:00 - 2:30 PM State Officer Transition Luncheon</p> <p>7:00 PM Third General Session (Dinner Provided) and FCCLA Dance Party</p> <p>11:00 PM Curfew</p>	<p>6:30 - 7:30 AM Breakfast (On Your Own)</p> <p>8:00 AM Fourth General Session <i>Competitive Event Awards SEC Installation</i></p> <p>Following End of Session NLC Orientation Meeting <i>Required for all participants advancing to NLC</i></p> <p>11:00 - 11:30 AM State T-Shirt Pickup <i>Advisers Only</i></p> <p>12:00 PM Optional Excursion / Departure</p>

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Registration Deadline

Registration for SLC must be submitted by February 20, 2026. Late fees enacted Feb 21 - Feb 28, 2026. Late registration closes February 28, 2026 - no registrations may be submitted after. Payments must be postmarked by March 13, 2026.

Late Fees

All registrations are due Feb 20, 2026. Any registration received after February 20 and up to February 28, 2026 will incur a **\$100.00 per chapter late fee. If your registration is late, we cannot guarantee T-shirts or sizes.**

Changes/Substitutions

All changes to original registration must be made in writing via email to info@flfccla.org. No changes will be accepted after February 28, 2026. Once a student is registered, their **registration fees are due and non-refundable. No substitutes will be accepted after March 6, 2026.**

Hotel Reservations

This year's meeting will be held March 27-30, 2026, at the Doubletree by Hilton Orlando at SeaWorld, 10100 International Drive, Orlando, FL. Advisers will book their school's rooms through the DLG Conference Management System*. Each participant must be assigned a room in order to proceed with submission registration. Chapters must also submit a PDF of their Tax-Exempt form for the hotel in order to register. Each chapter must also submit a payment authorization form - instructions are sent once registration is submitted. **Room rates will be \$149.00/night** through the deadline and guaranteed no later than March 1st. **A \$125 per-participant fee will be assessed if not using the conference hotel.**

Registration Process CHECKLIST

DESCRIPTION	DEADLINE	DONE (✓)
Submit Early FCCLA SLC Registration https://www.registermychapter.com/fccla/fl	Feb 13, 2026	
Make registration check payable to "Florida FCCLA" and mail to P.O. Box 22733, Tampa, FL 33622 with attached invoice from Registration Confirmation email. Only one check per chapter. Or pay by PayPal link on CMS.*	Postmarked by March 13, 2026	
Non-perishable Items for the McFamily Packs and pop/soda tabs collected. Bring to Registration onsite.	Bring to SLC March 27, 2026	

*The "Registration Site" is a conference management system (CMS) that must be completed by each school's adviser.. There are several separate tabs included in the site. Please be sure to review and, where necessary, complete the requested information on each tab if it pertains to your chapter.

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