



Through peer education, help your friends arrive alive and lower the number one cause of death for youth in America: automobile crashes.

Put the brakes on impaired driving and traffic crashes. Families Acting for Community Traffic Safety (FACTS) is a national peer education program through which students strive to save lives by educating adults and youth about traffic safety, and supporting enforcement of local rules and regulations regarding community traffic safety.

FACTS Units

Through FACTS, FCCLA members create projects that strive to save lives through sober driving, seat belt use and safe driving habits; becoming the spokesperson for their safety, and bridging the gap between youth and adults to understand the importance of driver education and safety. Traffic safety is a family affair, and children first learn basic safety skills and attitudes in families. Crashes deeply affect families, and FCCLA members can help families emphasize safety and avoid related concerns. Youth-created FACTS projects relate to the following five (5) units:

Think SMART — Promote attitudes and provide events that keep young people from driving when under the influence of alcohol and other drugs

Buckle UP — Promote the benefits and safe use of seat belts, child safety seats, booster seats, and air bags

Arrive Alive — Promote safe driving habits, especially for less-experienced drivers

Speak Up — Promote the empowerment of teens to speak up for their safety

Bridge the Gap — Promote conversation and training for parents of teens as they work together to enhance traffic safety

Partners

- AT&T
www.att.com
- Foundation for Advancing Alcohol Responsibility
www.responsibility.org
- Local law enforcement, fire fighters, and medical personnel
- National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), www.nhtsa.gov
- National Organizations for Youth Safety (NOYS), www.noys.org

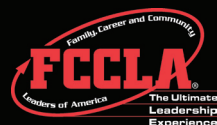
Awards

FCCLA offers national recognition to chapters that complete FACTS projects. This honor includes cash awards and special recognition at the National Leadership Conference, online and in the *Teen Times* magazine. Chapters may submit a description of their innovative projects for award consideration via the National Program Summary Report Form available on the FCCLA national website under the Awards tab.

FACTS cash awards

- High School Award — \$1,000
- Middle School Award — \$1,000
- Runner-Up Award — \$500

Deadline: Award Applications must be submitted online by March 1. The online award system will automatically close March 1, 11:59 p.m. EST.



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