


# Eligibility and General Rules for All Levels of Competition

1. An individual member may participate in only one national STAR Event in any given year. Participation is open to any nationally affiliated FCCLA chapter member. Events may have additional eligibility requirements. States may limit the number of times a member may compete in an event; please check with the state adviser.
2. Participants must follow national rules for competition, or risk possible disqualification or loss of points. If national rules vary from state event rules, entries need to be changed to comply with national rules.
3. All STAR Events projects must be developed and completed during a one-year span beginning July 1 and ending June 30 of the school year before the National Leadership Conference.
4. All STAR Events projects must be planned and prepared by the participant(s) only. Supporting resources are acceptable as long as participants are coordinating their use and resources are cited appropriately verbally and/or in print during the presentation to avoid false credit for unoriginal or non-participant work. Participants are encouraged to use original materials, items licensed for reuse, or items in which copyright permission has been granted.
5. State and chapter advisers should ensure that identical presentations of the same project are not entered into STAR Events multiple years.
6. Participants are not allowed to distribute any materials to the evaluators unless the event rules specifically allow it. Evaluators are not allowed to keep any items given to them by STAR Events participants.
7. No projects can be entered in more than one category of a single event, or in more than one event. However, projects entered in any event may be included in the Chapter in Review events.
8. Chapters are allowed to enter only one entry in Chapter in Review Display and one entry in Chapter in Review Portfolio per category.
9. Chapters are allowed to enter only one entry in FCCLA Chapter Website.
10. Spectators are not allowed to observe any portion of any STAR Event. Videotaping and/or audio recording of events is not allowed. \*Exception: Media and Business & Industry partners may be escorted into events with prior approval and arrangements made through national headquarters and the Competitive Events Advisory Team. States may set policies for exceptions on the state level.
11. Participants are to maintain a professional appearance and attitude during all STAR Events activities.
12. Participants are responsible for their own event materials, and may not have others assist them with event setup, including moving items into the competition area. Any items left behind are not the responsibility of FCCLA and may be discarded.
13. STAR Events resources (topics, scenarios, templates, etc.) can be found online at <http://fcclainc.org/programs/resources.php>. Look for this icon next to events which have resources on the FCCLA National Website. 
14. For Fashion Construction, Fashion Design, and Recycle and Redesign events lingerie and swimsuits are not allowed. Clothing that does not meet acceptable standards of modesty/ appropriateness for a school function or setting is prohibited.
15. If a participant fails to adhere to event guidelines or event definition, or prepares an item not based on the current event scenario, then the sample/display/project is ineligible for evaluation. The participant will still be able to compete with an oral presentation if they choose to do so, and will only be scored on the oral presentation.
16. Participants may present in front, behind, or beside the designated table or space. Participants may not place items on the consultant or evaluator tables.
17. All materials on displays must be placed on a clearly defined presentation surface. Displays with a clearly defined front presentation surface (such as tri-fold boards) may not have items on the back of the board, as consultants/evaluators would not be expected to look behind a display for project components. Displays with multiple presentation sides may have materials on all clearly defined presentation surfaces. All materials must be easily viewed, accessible, and legible.