



# Life Event Planning

## FCCLA STAR Events Information

(Students Taking Action with Recognition)

**Life Event Planning** is an individual or team event that recognizes participants who apply skills learned in Family and Consumer Sciences courses to manage the financial costs of an upcoming event. An upcoming event is defined as a planned event that is taking place during the 2016, 2017 or 2018 calendar years. Wedding planning is not an appropriate event topic unless the student or family member is engaged with a wedding date in 2016, 2017, or 2018. "Dream events" with no timeline are not allowed. *Event is offered to members in the following categories: Junior (through grade 9), Senior (grades 10-12), Occupational (grades 10-12)*

### Project Connections

#### Top 5 Skills Students Report Learning Through Participation

Decision Making or Problem Solving	Teamwork
Creativity	Leadership
Responsibility and Time Management	

#### Career Clusters



#### National Family and Consumer Sciences Standards

Reasoning for Action Comprehensive Standard	9.0 Food Science, Dietetics, and Nutrition
1.0 Career, Community and Family Connections	10.0 Hospitality, Tourism, and Recreation
2.0 Consumer and Family Resources	11.0 Housing and Interior Design
3.0 Consumer Services	12.0 Human Development
4.0 Education and Early Childhood	13.0 Interpersonal Communications
5.0 Facilities and Property Management	14.0 Nutrition and Wellness
6.0 Family	15.0 Parenting
7.0 Family and Human Services	16.0 Textiles, Fashion, and Apparel
8.0 Food Production and Services	

#### Common Career Technical Core/Career Ready Practices

2.0 Apply appropriate academic and technical skills.	6.0 Demonstrate creativity and innovation.
3.0 Attend to personal health and financial well-being.	7.0 Employ valid and reliable research strategies.
5.0 Consider the environmental, social and economic impacts of decisions.	8.0 Utilize critical thinking to make sense of problems and persevere in solving them..

#### FCCLA Programs



Projects may qualify to compete at the annual National Leadership Conference.  
 Turn this page over to see examples of projects from across the nation and participation data.  
 For information on state participation, please contact your state adviser.



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### Examples of Life Event Planning Projects:

*"For our project we decided to plan a college visit to the University of South Carolina. In our project we compared the costs of food, accommodations, transportation, fuel cost, and entertainment subscriptions." Virginia FCCLA Members*

*"Next fall, I will be attending University of Texas at Dallas. While I am completing my degree I will be staying in a dormitory on campus. I want to be fully prepared and save money on the cost of all the items. So I have created a budget, compared prices, made lists, and created floor plans for my room." Texas FCCLA Members*

*"We chose to plan a move from a small town to a big city after graduation. We looked at how much it cost to live there and the cultural opportunities." Pennsylvania FCCLA Members*

*"I am planning a family reunion, and am learning new things by planning everything by myself and learning how to organize. I am using the funds from my bank account and my part time job to cover the basic costs of the reunion." Oklahoma FCCLA Member*

*"Our project was to plan a quinceanera with the family of one of our team members. We budgeted the entire party, from food to the limousine for the quinceanera. We compared prices from local businesses. It impacted the family because they learned to budget and prioritize wants and needs. The project impacted us more importantly because we became aware of our community and how much resources we have locally. We also learned the importance of money and how to organize such a big event." Arkansas FCCLA Member*

### Life Event Planning by the Numbers:

2017-2018

**Participants Nationwide:** 1,028 teams, 1,982 participants

**Categories:** Junior, Senior, Occupational

**Type of Event:** Leadership

**Nationwide Impact:** 67,554 people

87% of Life Event Planning participants indicated this event is extremely or very useful to their future.

24% of Life Event Planning participants indicated they would pursue higher education related to the career chosen in their project.

To learn more about FCCLA STAR Events, visit the national FCCLA website, [www.fcclainc.org](http://www.fcclainc.org), or email [starevents@fcclainc.org](mailto:starevents@fcclainc.org).