

Prize Terms and Conditions

The Intelligent Speed Assistance (ISA) Contest Grand Prize is valued at \$5,500 and provides one (1) winning student and one (1) parent or guardian with an all-expense-paid experience to attend FCCLA's 2026 National Leadership Conference (NLC) in Washington, D.C.

This prize supports participation in FCCLA's largest annual event, allowing the winner and their parent or guardian to join thousands of student leaders from across the nation for an unforgettable leadership experience focused on innovation, safety, and service.

Grand Prize Breakdown

As part of the \$5,500 prize package, **FCCLA will provide the winning student and one (1) parent or guardian with the Ultimate Leadership NLC Registration Package.**

THIS PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- Weekly Registration to the National Leadership Conference for the student and their parent or guardian
- Admission to the Special Event for the student and their parent or guardian
- Admission to the NLC After Party for the student and their parent or guardian
- One (1) official conference T-shirt for the student and one (1) for the parent or guardian
- Any additional benefits or items listed on the FCCLA website as part of the Ultimate Leadership Package at the time of registration

FCCLA will coordinate the following components of the \$5,500 value prize:

- Payment of the Ultimate Leadership Package registration fees directly through the chapter's FCCLA Portal account.
- Coordination and booking of round-trip airfare for the student and one parent or guardian.
- Coordination and booking of hotel accommodations for the official NLC conference dates.
- Distribution of the remaining prize balance onsite in the form of a gift card, provided to the parent or guardian at conference check-in.

If, at the time of notification, the winning student or parent/guardian has already paid for their registration, flight, and/or hotel, they will be required to submit copies of receipts to FCCLA. Those costs will be reimbursed as part of the prize payment, ensuring that the total final value of the prize remains \$5,500.

Purpose of the Prize Structure

FCCLA follows this structured payment process to ensure that all awarded funds are used solely for their intended purpose — supporting the winning student and their parent or guardian in attending the National Leadership Conference. This process confirms that both attendees are fully registered and committed to participating in the full conference experience.

This approach also promotes financial transparency, maintains compliance with partnership and reporting requirements, and enables FCCLA to manage travel arrangements efficiently and equitably for all contest participants. Prize funds are administered exclusively through this process and cannot be distributed or received in any other form or manner.

Parent or Guardian Eligibility Requirement

The accompanying adult must be the parent or legal guardian of the winning student. No substitutions, replacements, or alternate attendees are permitted. Prize funds may not be used to support travel or expenses for any individual other than the student and their verified parent or legal guardian.

This requirement exists to meet the conditions set forth by the program funder, ensuring that the individual(s) responsible for the student — and who provided consent for the student's participation in the ISA research study — are directly involved in this experience. The intent of the prize is to recognize both the student and their parent or guardian for their shared commitment to traffic safety education and responsible driving behaviors.

Prize Distribution Process

- The ISA Contest winner will be selected and notified on or around April 15, 2026.
 - The winner must submit all required documentation, including the Acceptance Agreement and a completed IRS Form W-9 (for the parent or guardian), by the stated deadline to officially accept the prize.
 - FCCLA will pay registration costs directly, coordinate flight and hotel arrangements, and issue the remaining balance via gift card onsite during the National Leadership Conference check-in process.
 - If any approved reimbursements are due (for pre-paid registration, hotel, or airfare), those amounts will be calculated and included within the remaining balance being provided onsite via gift card.
 - The gift card portion of the prize may be used to cover meals, transportation, and incidental travel expenses during the conference.
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Use of Funds

The total prize value of \$5,500 is intended to cover the following:

- Registration fees for both the student and their parent or guardian
- Airfare and hotel accommodations for official NLC conference dates
- Ground transportation, meals, and reasonable incidental expenses during travel
- Any additional reimbursed travel or registration costs previously paid by the winner or their guardian

Expenses beyond the total \$5,500 value are the responsibility of the winner. FCCLA will not provide additional funds beyond the stated prize amount.

Registration and Eligibility Requirements

- The student and their parent or guardian must register for the Ultimate Leadership Package through the chapter's FCCLA Portal by May 1, 2026.
 - Registration must be completed with the support and approval of the student's FCCLA Chapter Adviser and necessary school administrators.
 - The student must be an active FCCLA Member in good standing and have successfully completed all ISA program requirements at the time of selection.
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Attendance and Participation Requirements

The winning student and their parent or guardian must attend the full duration of the 2026 National Leadership Conference, from the Opening General Session through the Closing Session.

In addition, the winning student will:

- Be recognized on stage during a general session.
- Be required to host one (1) workshop during the conference, highlighting their leadership experience and involvement in the Intelligent Speed Assistance program.

Failure to attend the conference or fulfill these participation requirements may result in required repayment of prize funds.

Post-Conference Report

Following the National Leadership Conference, the student will be required to submit a post-conference report including reflections, photos, and feedback about their experience. This report serves as confirmation of attendance and may be used by FCCLA and the National Road Safety Foundation (NRSF) in future promotional and educational materials.

Tax and Compliance Requirements

- The parent or guardian must complete and submit an IRS Form W-9 to FCCLA as part of the prize acceptance process.
 - FCCLA will issue any required IRS tax documentation in accordance with federal reporting regulations.
 - The parent or guardian is responsible for any federal, state, or local taxes associated with the prize value.
 - The gift card portion of the prize may be subject to federal tax reporting.
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Travel Booking Policy

FCCLA will coordinate and book round-trip airfare for the winning student and their parent or guardian using approved national travel vendors.

- Flights will be booked in economy class from the airport nearest to the winner's home location to Washington, D.C.
 - FCCLA partners with approved national carriers to ensure safety, reliability, and consistent service standards.
 - Approved airlines include United Airlines, Delta Air Lines, Southwest Airlines, American Airlines, and Frontier Airlines.
 - FCCLA does not book or reimburse travel on ultra-low-cost carriers such as Spirit Airlines, Allegiant Air, or any other airline that does not meet FCCLA's travel and service requirements.
 - All flight itineraries will be reviewed and confirmed by FCCLA prior to booking.
 - Any personal travel extensions, upgrades, or deviations from the approved itinerary will be at the expense of the winner and are not covered by the prize.
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Hotel Booking Policy

FCCLA will coordinate and book hotel accommodations for the winning student and their parent or guardian within the official FCCLA National Leadership Conference hotel block.

- Hotel accommodations will be provided for the official National Leadership Conference dates only and will follow FCCLA's national lodging policies and standards.
- If additional chapter members are attending the conference, FCCLA will work directly with the chapter to ensure a room is booked within the same hotel, when possible.
- FCCLA will make every effort to accommodate chapter rooming preferences; however, final hotel selection and determination are at the sole discretion of FCCLA.
- Any personal room upgrades, extended nights, or additional guests outside the official conference dates are not covered by the prize and will be the responsibility of the winner.

Conduct and Liability

- The student must adhere to the FCCLA Code of Conduct and all National Leadership Conference rules and regulations.
- By accepting the prize, the student and parent or guardian agree that FCCLA and the National Road Safety Foundation (NRSF) are not responsible for personal injury, property damage, or other losses incurred during participation in the conference or related activities.
- The student and parent or guardian grant permission for FCCLA and NRSF to use their names, images, and statements for publicity, promotion, or educational purposes connected to the ISA program.

Important Deadlines

- **Winner Announcement:** April 15, 2026
- **Acceptance Agreement and W-9 Submission Deadline:** April 24, 2026, by 3:00 PM ET
- **NLC Registration Deadline:** May 1, 2026

Failure to meet any of the above deadlines may result in forfeiture of the prize and selection of an alternate winner.

Forfeiture and Substitution

If the winning student is unable to attend the conference or fails to meet the requirements listed above, FCCLA reserves the right to revoke the prize and select an alternate winner.

In the event of an emergency cancellation by the student and/or their parent or guardian after registration, flight, or hotel arrangements have been made, the winner will be required to reimburse FCCLA for all funds paid on their behalf, including registration, travel, and lodging expenses.

FCCLA may substitute comparable arrangements or adjust logistics if necessary due to circumstances beyond its control.

Administered By

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Questions?

For questions, contact bcarpenter@fcclainc.org