**ABOUT FCCLA**

Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) is a national Career and Technical Student Organization (CTSO) for students in Family and Consumer Sciences (FCS) education, offering intra-curricular resources and opportunities for students to pursue careers that support families. Since 1945, FCCLA Members have been making a difference in their families, careers, and communities by addressing important personal, work, and societal issues through Family and Consumer Sciences education.

With over a quarter of a million student members and more than 7,400 chapter advisers across 5,400 chapters, the FCCLA family continues to expand and thrive, fostering a vibrant community of passionate individuals committed to making a difference. FCCLA helps student members focus on various youth concerns, including parenting, family relationships, substance abuse, peer pressure, sustainability, nutrition and fitness, teen violence, and career preparation. Involvement in FCCLA offers members the opportunity to expand their leadership potential and develop skills for life—planning, goal setting, problem-solving, decision making, and interpersonal communication—necessary in the home and workplace.

**ABOUT THE ULTIMATE LEADERSHIP FUND**

The Ultimate Leadership Fund is FCCLA’s mission-driven annual fundraising campaign designed to support the growth and development of the organization. The Fund provides much-needed resources for members and chapters, including affiliation support grants, individual and chapter grants, Competitive Event recognition, and funding for areas of greatest need. By contributing to the Ultimate Leadership Fund, donors are directly investing in the future of FCCLA’s youth members, empowering them to become strong leaders in their families, careers, and communities.

**2025 VIRTUAL AUCTION**

As part of the 2025-2026 fundraising campaign, we are thrilled to host the Ultimate Leadership Fund Virtual Auction. This exciting online event will take place during FCCLA Week, from February 9-13, 2026. FCCLA Week is a time when our members, advisers, alumni, and supporters come together to celebrate the achievements of the organization and promote FCCLA's mission nationwide. The Virtual Auction will feature a diverse array of items, with photos and bidding information readily accessible to all FCCLA supporters. All proceeds from the auction will directly benefit the Ultimate Leadership Fund.

**CALL FOR DONATIONS**

To make the Ultimate Leadership Fund Virtual Auction a success, we are seeking donations of items to feature in the event. Popular items in past auctions have included themed gift baskets and gift cards. By donating to the auction, you are playing a vital role in supporting FCCLA’s mission and the Ultimate Leadership Fund. Your contribution will help us provide resources and opportunities that empower students to develop leadership skills and make a positive impact in their communities.

**DONATION RESOURCES**

If you are interested in contributing to the auction, please review the Virtual Auction Donation Guidelines and Specifications page. Your support is greatly appreciated, and we encourage you to get involved by donating an item or sharing this opportunity with others and encouraging them to support.

Thank you for considering making a donation to support FCCLA’s Ultimate Leadership Fund. Your support is invaluable and will help us continue FCCLA’s mission of providing students with the Ultimate Leadership Experience. Together, we can make a significant difference in the lives of members across the nation and ensure the continued success of FCCLA.

Thank you for your interest in contributing to the FCCLA Ultimate Leadership Fund Virtual Auction. Your generous donation will play a crucial role in supporting FCCLA’s mission and providing resources that empower students to develop leadership skills and make a positive impact in their communities. To ensure a smooth and successful auction, please adhere to the following guidelines and specifications:

**GUIDELINES FOR DONATED ITEMS:**

1. **Market Value:** Items must have a market value exceeding $100.
2. **Food and Drink Items:** It is highly encouraged that food and drink items come in the form of gift cards. Bottles of alcohol cannot be accepted under any circumstances but can be donated in the form of gift cards. Nonperishable food items are acceptable; however, perishable items such as chocolate or cheese tend to melt or encounter shipping issues due to varying temperatures and, therefore, cannot be accepted.
3. **Multiple Donations:** If donating multiple items or gift sets, please complete a separate form for each item.
4. **Item Details:** Provide detailed information for each item, including item descriptions, sizes, colors, and any other relevant details.
5. **Item Presentation:** Items can be a singular item or a "basket" of items. For shipping purposes, we ask that items do not come in a physical "basket" as this helps us save on shipping and makes it easier to fit items into the shipping boxes after the auction.

**SPECIFICATIONS FOR DONATED ITEMS:**

1. **Mailing Deadline:** All items must be mailed to FCCLA National Headquarters by December 1, 2025.
2. **Item Dimensions and Weight:** Individual items and baskets must have a combined total weight of less than 15 lbs and must not exceed dimensions of 12*"* x 12” x 6”. If the item you wish to donate exceeds these measurements, please contact us at efernandez@fcclainc.org for further instructions.

**MAILING INSTRUCTIONS:**

* **Mailing Address:**

FCCLA National Headquarters
ATTN: Ella Fernandez (Auction)
13241 Woodland Park Road, Suite 100
Herndon, Virginia 20171

* **Donation Form:** Prior to mailing your item, please email a scanned copy of your completed donation form to efernandez@fcclainc.org. This will help us anticipate your donation and prepare for its arrival.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND RECOGNITION:**

* **Acknowledgement:** Upon receiving your donation, FCCLA will send you a thank you letter to acknowledge your contribution.
* **Recognition:** To express our gratitude, we will recognize all donors on auction promotional materials.

**POPULAR ITEMS**

Gift cards are always the most popular items and result in the highest contributions to the Ultimate Leadership Fund. Gift cards to stores like Walmart, Target, Lowes, Home Depot, or restaurants are especially sought after and significantly contribute to the success of the auction.

**SAMPLE AUCTION ITEMS**

Included below are some examples of items/baskets that have been successful in past auctions:

* **Baby / Children Supplies or Toys:**
	+ Baby clothes, toys, books, diapers, baby shampoo, and lotions
* **Baking / Cooking:**
	+ Baking utensils, mixing bowls, measuring cups, cookbooks, oven mitts, and specialty ingredients.
* **Beauty Essentials:**
	+ Skincare products, makeup, nail polish, beauty tools, and hair accessories.
* **Camping:**
	+ Flashlights, camping utensils, portable grill, sleeping bags, and insect repellent.
* **Car / Vehicle:**
	+ Car cleaning supplies, air fresheners, car chargers, emergency kits, and travel mugs.
* **Crafting:**
	+ Craft supplies, DIY kits, scrapbooking materials, yarn, and craft tools.
* **Date Night:**
	+ Movie tickets, restaurant gift cards, candles, wine glasses, and a cozy blanket.
* **Disney:**
	+ Disney-themed toys, books, clothing, accessories, and movies.
* **Dorm Room:**
	+ Bedding, desk organizers, storage solutions, lamps, and mini appliances.
* **Gardening:**
	+ Gardening tools, gloves, seeds, pots, and plant food.
* **Great Outdoors:**
	+ Hiking gear, water bottles, maps, trail mix, and a backpack.
* **Hair Care:**
	+ Shampoos, conditioners, styling tools, brushes, and hair accessories.
* **Kitchen Accents:**
	+ Kitchen gadgets, utensils, cutting boards, spices, and recipe books.
* **Pet Lovers:**
	+ Pet toys, treats, grooming supplies, collars, and pet beds.
* **Rest and Relaxation:**
	+ Bath salts, candles, essential oils, robes, and slippers.
* **State Sampler:**
	+ Local snacks, souvenirs, specialty items, and travel guides from a specific state.
* **Travel**
	+ Backpack, travel bag, organizer bags, luggage tags
* **Wine and Dine:**
	+ Wine, wine glasses, corkscrews, gourmet snacks, and cheese boards.

Thank you for your generous support of the FCCLA Ultimate Leadership Fund Virtual Auction! Your contribution is invaluable in helping us provide resources and opportunities that empower students to develop leadership skills and make a positive impact in their communities. Please fill out the following form to provide the necessary information for your donation.

**Please email a scanned copy of this completed form to efernandez@fcclainc.org prior to mailing your donation item to FCCLA National Headquarters. This will help us anticipate your donation and prepare for its arrival.**

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| Is this a singular item or a basket (multiple items)?*(Circle one)* | Singular Item | Basket / Multiple Items |
| Retail value of the item/basket | **$** |
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| Additional Information:*Is there any additional information you would like us to know about your donation?* |  |