Texas FCCLA State Leadership Conference

Participation Agreement

In-Person (Face-to-Face) Advisor Agreement

Chapter Advisor Name: ________________________________

Chapter Name: ________________________________

Region: _______________  Chapter ID #: ____________________

By signing this agreement, you (the advisor) are agreeing to abide by all policies, procedures, rules, and regulations specified in this agreement and enforce the included policies, procedures, rules, and regulations for each of your attending chapter members.

If the policies, procedures, rules, and regulations specified in this agreement are not followed by your chapter members and you (chapter advisor) do not take action, Texas FCCLA staff will instruct you (chapter advisor) to contact the member’s parent/guardian. If you (chapter advisor) do not address the situation in an appropriate or timely manner, Texas FCCLA will contact your school district’s superintendent or his/her designee. Failure to uphold the included policies, procedures, rules, and regulations specified in this agreement will result in the individual attendee(s) being sent home from the conference at their expense.

This form, completed by you (chapter advisor) and your school superintendent or his/her designee, must be signed, and submitted, as verification of eligibility to travel and acknowledgement of the included policies, procedures, rules, and regulations, when picking up registration materials at the State Leadership Conference. If this form is not submitted or incomplete, your chapter will not be permitted to participate in the State Leadership Conference. You (chapter advisor) must keep each attending member’s complete agreement in your possession throughout the State Leadership Conference and have each member’s complete agreement available, upon request, for Texas FCCLA staff to review.
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Policies, Procedures, Rules, and Regulations

Dress Code:

- All attendees must abide by the published dress code. Attendees who are not in dress code will not be permitted to attend conference activities. Ask your chapter advisor for additional information about Texas FCCLA’s dress code or visit www.texasfccla.org/dress-code to learn more.

COVID-19:

- All attendees are required to wear a facial covering at all locations/times while participating in the State Leadership Conference.
  - If at least 6 feet of distance can be maintained between the participant and other attendees, facial coverings will be optional during Competitive Events and while presenting on stage.
- All attendees will be required to maintain at least 6 feet of distance between them and other persons (not from their local chapter) throughout the State Leadership Conference. Local school administrators in consultation with the chapter advisor must regulate the social distancing requirements for individual chapters attending the State Leadership Conference.
- All attendees will practice good personal hygiene (hand washing and respiratory etiquette).
- There will be no crowding, camping, or “hanging out” permitted in the State Leadership Conference venues.
- STAR and Proficiency Event competitors will not be permitted to wait outside of their competition location more than 30 minutes prior to their scheduled competition time.
- When entering/exiting general sessions and/or workshops chapters must maintain at least 6 feet of distance between their members and members from other chapters.
- Awards will not be passed to participants on stage. Texas FCCLA will ship all earned awards and materials to chapters at the conclusion of the State Leadership Conference.

COVID-19 Safety Information

While participating in events held or sponsored by the Texas Association Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (Texas FCCLA) “social distancing” must be practiced and face coverings worn at all times (exceptions listed above) to reduce the risks of exposure to COVID-19. Because COVID-19 is extremely contagious and is spread mainly from person-to-person contact, Texas FCCLA has put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19. However, Texas FCCLA cannot guarantee that its participants, volunteers, partners, or others in attendance will not become infected with COVID-19.
In light of the ongoing spread of COVID-19, individuals who fall within either of the categories below should not engage in Texas FCCLA events and/or other face to face activities. By attending a Texas FCCLA event, you certify that you do not fall into any of the following categories:

1. Individuals who currently or within the past fourteen (14) days have experienced any symptoms associated with COVID-19, which include fever, cough, and shortness of breath among others;

2. Individuals who believe that they may have been exposed (close contact) to a confirmed or suspected case of COVID-19 or have been diagnosed with COVID-19 and are not yet cleared as non-contagious by state or local public health authorities or the health care team responsible for their treatment.

**Duty to Self-Monitor**

Participants, attendees and volunteers agree to self-monitor for signs and symptoms of COVID-19 (symptoms typically include fever, cough, and shortness of breath) and, contact Texas FCCLA at fccla@texasfccla.org if he/she experiences symptoms of COVID-19 during the activity or within 14 days after participating or volunteering with Texas FCCLA.

**Liability Waiver and Release of Claims**

I acknowledge that I derive personal satisfaction and a benefit by virtue of my participation with Texas FCCLA, and I willingly engage in Texas FCCLA events and/or other activities.

I HEREBY RELEASE, WAIVE AND FOREVER DISCHARGE ANY AND ALL LIABILITY, CLAIMS, AND DEMANDS OF WHATEVER KIND OR NATURE AGAINST THE TEXAS ASSOCIATION FAMILY, CAREER, AND COMMUNITY LEADERS OF AMERICA AND ITS AFFILIATED PARTNERS AND SPONSORS, INCLUDING IN EACH CASE, WITHOUT LIMITATION, THEIR DIRECTORS, OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES, VOLUNTEERS, AND AGENTS (THE “RELEASED PARTIES”), EITHER IN LAW OR IN EQUITY, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMISSIBLE BY LAW, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO DAMAGES OR LOSSES CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE, FAULT OR CONDUCT OF ANY KIND ON THE PART OF THE RELEASED PARTIES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO DEATH, BODILY INJURY, ILLNESS, ECONOMIC LOSS OR OUT OF POCKET EXPENSES, OR LOSS OR DAMAGE TO PROPERTY, WHICH I, MY HEIRS, ASSIGNEES, NEXT OF KIN AND/OR LEGALLY APPOINTED OR DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVES, MAY HAVE OR WHICH MAY HEREINAFTER ACCRUE ON MY BEHALF, WHICH ARISE OR MAY HEREAFTER ARISE FROM MY PARTICIPATION.

ASSUMPTION OF THE RISK. I acknowledge and understand the following:

1. Participation includes possible exposure to and illness from infectious diseases including but not limited to COVID-19. While particular rules and personal discipline may reduce this risk, the risk of serious illness and death does exist.
2. I knowingly and freely assume all such risks related to illness and infectious diseases, such as COVID-19, even if arising from the negligence or fault of the Released Parties; and

3. I hereby knowingly assume the risk of injury, harm and loss associated with the Activity, including any injury, harm and loss caused by the negligence, fault or conduct of any kind on the part of the Released Parties.

I DO HEREBY RELEASE AND FOREVER DISCHARGE THE RELEASED PARTIES FROM ANY CLAIM WHATSOEVER WHICH ARISES OR MAY HEREAFTER ARISE ON ACCOUNT OF ANY FIRST AID, TREATMENT, OR SERVICE RENDERED IN CONNECTION WITH MY PARTICIPATION IN THE ACTIVITY.

As a participant, volunteer, or attendee, You recognize that your participation, involvement and/or attendance at any Texas Association Family, Career and Community Leaders of America event or activity (“Activity”) is voluntary and may result in personal injury (including death) and/or property damage. By attending, observing or participating in the Activity, You acknowledge and assume all risks and dangers associated with your participation and/or attendance at the Activity, and You agree that: (a) the Texas Association Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America, (b) the property or site owner of the Activity, and (c) all past, present and future affiliates, successors, assigns, employees, volunteers, vendors, partners, directors, and officers, of such entities (subsections (a) through (c), collectively, the "Released Parties"), will not be responsible for any personal injury (including death), property damage, or other loss suffered as a result of your participation in, attendance at, and/or observation of the Activity, regardless if any such injuries or losses are caused by the negligence of any of the Released Parties (collectively, the "Released Claims"). BY ATTENDING AND/OR PARTICIPATING IN THE ACTIVITY, YOU ARE DEEMED TO HAVE GIVEN A FULL RELEASE OF LIABILITY TO THE RELEASED PARTIES TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW.

Chapter Advisor’s 24-Hour Contact Information

Phone Number: (_______) ____________________________

Chapter Advisor Signature: ________________________________ Date: __________________

Advisor’s Emergency Contact Information

Phone Number: (_______) ____________________________

Emergency Contact Name: ____________________________________________

School Superintendent’s (or his/her designee) Contact Information

Superintendent (or designee) Name: ____________________________________________

Designee (if not Superintendent) Title: ____________________________________________

24-Hour Phone Number: (_______) ____________________________

Superintendent (or designee) Signature: ________________________________ Date: __________________