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**2025 ALABAMA FCCLA LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE THIS WEEK –  
TOP STUDENTS COMPETING FOR STATE AND NATIONAL HONORS**

*“FCCLA Works to Develop America’s Next Generation of Highly Skilled Professionals  
Through A Focus on Family and Consumer Science Education”*

Jackie Zeigler  
District I

**Montgomery, Ala.** – Excited students from local communities across Alabama will be among the thousands competing for top awards at the 2025 Alabama Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) State Leadership Conference, on March 6-7.

Tracie West  
District II

More than 1,400 students and parents from our state’s top middle school and high school

Kelly Mooney  
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FCCLA chapters are traveling to Montgomery’s Renaissance Hotel and Convention Center, to participate in this inspiring state competition and leadership development event.

Yvette M. Richardson, Ed.D.  
District IV

Top winners will earn *bronze*, *silver*, or *gold* medals, and the opportunity to advance to the national championships in Orlando, Florida, in July.

Tonya S. Chestnut, Ed.D.  
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Vice President

Marie Manning  
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FCCLA is a national organization for students interested in Family and Consumer Science careers and programs-of-study. It is unique among student organizations, because it emphasizes “family” as its central focus.

Allen Long, M.D.  
District VII

The celebration kicks off when FCCLA hosts its Opening Session – Thursday at 8:00 a.m., in the Montgomery Performing Arts Centre.

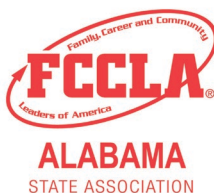
This session will feature exciting national guest speakers and workshops to inspire every student towards achieving their personal dreams and goals.

The official event theme for this year is *Dream It, Wish It, Do It*.

Alabama’s FCCLA student members came up with this theme. The entire membership felt it is not enough to just dream about success, *you have to work for it*.

Wayne Reynolds, Ed.D.  
District VIII

Eric G. Mackey, Ed.D.  
Secretary and  
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“Our student members have truly worked hard this year to promote their special annual community project,” said Alabama FCCLA State Adviser Theresa Long. “Local school chapters statewide successfully raised more than \$10,000 to support a wonderful *Wish Kid* request. Alabama’s FCCLA student members will officially present this wonderful “wish” to this year’s recipient, during the exciting opening conference events scheduled for 6:45 p.m., on March 5th.”

All of the great competitive events taking place during the conference will focus on building careers in the areas of culinary, hospitality, teaching, fashion, promotion, publicity, and interior design.

Since 1945, FCCLA members nationwide have been making positive and lasting differences in their families, careers, and local communities.

During this year’s conference, students will also have the opportunity to gain excellent career advice and guidance from leading business professionals from across the nation. Students will discover the true benefits of having a strong work ethic.

*Top Alabama teachers and schools will also receive special recognition during the event.*

Alabama's career and technical education (CTE) program provides students with an opportunity to participate in seven different student organizations including FCCLA.

Currently, Alabama has more than 7,000 FCCLA members.

Learn more by contacting Alabama FCCLA Adviser Theresa Long at [theresa.long@alsde.edu](mailto:theresa.long@alsde.edu) or visit the FCCLA state website at <https://alabamafccla.org/>

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