Nebraska Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America

# 2015 State Leadership Conference

April 12-14, 2015 Lincoln, NE



**Conference Information and Guide** 

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## **Conference Information Section**

#### Meeting Logo, Theme, and Summary

The theme for the conference is "Toward New Horizons." This is a nod to our new host site, the Pinnacle Bank Arena, our organization's motto, and a look toward all of the new and exciting happenings in our local, state, and national associations.



The 2015 Nebraska FCCLA State Leadership Conference (SLC) will be held April 12-14, 2015 in Lincoln, Nebraska. Meeting sessions will be held at the Holiday Inn-Downtown and the Pinnacle Bank Arena. This year's SLC will feature many exciting opportunities for students and advisers to participate in including:

- State STAR Event competition
- Youth sessions
- Adviser breakout session
- Exciting and engaging keynote speaker, Kevin Wanzer
- Awards and recognition
- Community service opportunities in the Lincoln area

#### **Important Dates**

A complete and updated list of important dates can be found on the Nebraska FCCLA website at <u>www.nebraskafccla.org</u> on the left side of the homepage and on the "Events" page. The following are just a few of the important dates for advisers.

#### February

1-SLC Registration opens

1-National Anthem tryout deadline

1-National Officer applications due to the State Adviser

1-Nebraska Honorary Membership and Distinguished Service Award applications due the State Adviser

13-SLC Honorary Conference Assistant application due to the State Adviser

March

1-SLC Registration due

1-Nebraska ACE Award, Chapter Award, iRecruit, Power of One, National School Administrator Award, Nebraska National Program Award, Feed Nebraska Award applications all due to the State Adviser

- 17-SLC and STAR payment deadline
- 20-#sotchattime with Hannah Smith on SLC Preview

April

12-14-State Leadership Conference

#### **Dress Code**

Our goal is continue to improve the image of Nebraska FCCLA as well as align to the National FCCLA Association dress code. This dress code accomplishes both and assures that our members will appropriately represent the

Association, their school, and themselves. This dress code was approved by the Board of Directors on July 20, 2014 and entered into the Nebraska FCCLA Operational Procedures under 10.08.

The following dress code shall apply to all state sponsored activities/sessions unless otherwise indicated by the Nebraska State FCCLA Adviser or Board of Directors.

Students attending sessions will be expected to wear the following attire:

- FCCLA official dress
- red, black, or white collared shirts with sleeves (Please note that the FCCLA logo is NOT a required component)
- business professional (including sport coats with dress pants, skirt and pant suits, and sheath dresses)
- neutral colored pants, capris (must fall completely below the knee), or skirts (2 inches above the knee at its shortest point)
- dress shoes (open toe OR open back are acceptable—NOT BOTH)

The following are items that will not be allowed to any session:

- jeans
- shorts
- athletic shoes (Please note that shoes that are less dressy such as boat shoes (Sperry's brand), Vans, Keds and Toms type shoes will be allowed but are discouraged as they are not dress shoes.)
- flip flops, including gladiator type sandals
- revealing attire, including but not limited to items that are low cut, tight, or see-through

Students who are found in violation of the dress code at any point before or during a session will be asked to leave to change immediately. They will be more than welcome to return to the session when their attire meets the dress code requirements.

This dress code will not apply to advisers and guests.

For visual examples of the dress code and what is or is not permitted, check out the visual guide on the Nebraska FCCLA website at the bottom of the "Members" page.

#### Adviser/Chaperone Guidelines

Advisers are responsible for the behavior and discipline of their students throughout the conference. Students causing a disturbance or displaying inappropriate behavior will be asked to leave the conference and hotel. In addition, if any issues are witnessed, advisers are encouraged to speak directly to the students' adviser to address the issue. All meeting attendees should be informed of the following:

- Behavior at all times should reflect a positive, professional image of you, your school, and the organization.
- Any accidents, injuries, or illness should be reported to the adult chaperone or chapter adviser immediately. State staff should be informed of such incidents as well.
- All students will observe the 12:00 midnight curfew.
- If a student is found responsible for stealing or vandalism, the student and his/her parents/guardians will be expected to pay for damages.
- Hotel fixtures must stay in their original location and not be moved out of, or around a room.
- Students may not purchase, possess, consume, or be under the influence of alcohol, tobacco, or drugs at any time.

#### **Adviser Checklist**

Below is a suggested checklist to help you prepare for State Leadership Conference.

January/February

- □ Read the conference release carefully and thoroughly. Contact the State Adviser for clarification on any questions you may have.
- □ Mark due dates on a calendar.
- □ Make sure your members attending SLC and competing in STAR Events are affiliated.
- □ Have senior members consider applying for a position as an Honorary Conference Assistant.
- □ Check recognition and awards application forms to be filled out on the National and Nebraska FCCLA websites.
- □ Introduce the conference to students and get confirmations from those attending.
- □ Complete the Adviser and Adult Volunteer form to assist with events at SLC.
- □ Submit hotel reservations to Holiday Inn-Downtown.

#### March

- □ Elect chapter officers early.
- □ Hold a meeting with parents and conference attendees to discuss:
  - o Dress code
  - o Fees
  - o Travel arrangements
  - Rooming arrangements
  - o Meals
  - Invite a notary and be sure all medical forms are signed and notarized
  - Go over conference agenda
  - Expectations for attendees
- □ Contact your State Senator to plan a visit to their office while in Lincoln. Prepare students to talk about their STAR Events, Power of One Projects, service learning, etc. with their Senator and staff
- □ Invite community members and stakeholders to a STAR Event prep night and have them listen to the STAR Events and officer candidate speeches
- Check with school accounting office to make sure the payment has been mailed to Grafton
- Assign student responsibilities. Suggested jobs might include:
  - Packers help load vans/bus
  - STAR Assistant ensure all required materials and equipment is packed.
  - Voting Delegate will represent your chapter for voting matters such as State Officer Candidates

#### Forms Needed

Chapter advisers are encouraged to have a Medical Release and Code of Conduct form for each attendee. Examples of these forms can be found on the Nebraska FCCLA website under the "Advisers" tab.

#### **Delegate Makeup**

Advisers are encouraged to invite a wide variety of students to attend the State Leadership Conference. We have an outstanding program planned which would benefit a student with any interest in the organization. Examples of those who should attend include the following:

- Chapter officers
- Committee members
- STAR Event competitors
- Scholarship winners
- Power of One completers
- Top fundraisers
- Highly involved members

- New members who have expressed interest in being more involved in the organization
- Foreign exchange students who are members
- District, SPOT, State, and National Officers and Candidates
- Current State Officers, SPOT, and District Presidents

#### **Voting Delegate Information**

Each chapter should choose one individual to serve as a Voting Delegate. It is recommended that this person not be involved in STAR Events, if possible, as their schedule is very specific on Monday. Voting delegates are the individuals who will interact with our State Officer Candidates the most and have a more complete picture of who the best candidates may be. Candidates will give an extended introduction at the Opening General Session on Sunday but due to space constraints, seating at the speeches is only guaranteed to voting delegates.

The following details their schedule of events on Monday, April 13:

Voting Delegate Orientation
Fishbowl and Speeches (voting delegates only guaranteed seating)
Cast ballot prior to Business and Recognition Session at Pinnacle Bank Arena

Voting delegates will receive a ribbon as they sign in to the Voting Delegate Orientation. This ribbon will serve as their ticket to pick up their official ballot for the 2015-16 State Officer Team and bylaws amendments during the Voting Delegate Session on Monday afternoon.

Each chapter receives one vote for State Officer Candidates. The number of votes for business items is determined by the chapter's membership from the previous year. This scale can be found in the Nebraska FCCLA Bylaws.

#### 2015-16 District Officer Information

New district representatives from each chapter need to attend the District Leadership Meeting and Training on Monday, April 13 from 4:00-5:30 PM. They will meet their District Adviser, other district officers, and experience team building and planning for the 2015-16 year. For information about your District's practices, please consult the District Bylaws or contact your District Adviser.

#### **Honorary Conference Assistants**

Honorary Conference Assistants play a vital role in the operation and success of our annual State Leadership Conference. This year, Conference Assistants will be even more important as we operate in a new conference hotel and session site. Conference Assistants should be seniors in high school with experience in the FCCLA organization.

Conference Assistants have the following responsibilities throughout the conference:

- Introduce speakers
- Ensure correct AV and room set-up
- Ushers for sessions
- Assist with STAR as needed

- Assist with STAR line-up during Recognition
- Assist attendees in finding rooms
- Ensure individuals with assigned seating find their seats

Conference Assistants will receive their specific assignments at their Orientation Session from 4:30 PM-5:30 PM on Sunday, April 12 at the Holiday Inn. In exchange for their time, their conference registration will be reduced by 50%, receive a state t-shirt, and will be provided lunch on Monday.

Applications are due to the State Adviser by **Thursday, February 5, 2015** and those who are chosen will be notified by **Friday, February 13, 2015.** Applications can be found on the Nebraska FCCLA website and should be sent electronically to the State Adviser at <u>allison.kreifels@nebraska.gov</u>.

### **Volunteer Opportunities**

#### Members

This year, there are quite a few opportunities for students to help make our conference a success. The first might be for the seniors in the organization to apply to serve as an Honorary Conference Assistant. Non STAR Event competitors can also volunteer for one of the many FCCLA Serves projects. These service projects will be taking place throughout the city at locations such as People's City Mission, Matt Talbot Outreach, and Fresh Start. For more information, check out the opportunities for supplemental activities on the "Meetings" page of the Nebraska FCCLA website.

#### **Advisers and Chaperones**

Advisers and chaperones play a vital role in ensuring the annual State Leadership Conference is a success. If you would be interested in helping with any of the events please complete the survey at

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1USsHsJTr-ozadg040MLlUwnmFRbk-

<u>3ajp8rOSnIRclE/viewform?usp=send\_form</u>. If you are willing to assist, please complete this link by March 1. Assignments will be sent to advisers by April 1.

The following are positions that need to be filled.

- Assist Counting Ballots: On Monday evening, during the first part of the Business and Recognition Session at Pinnacle Bank Arena, one adviser from each district who does not have a candidate for SOC is needed to help count ballots. This will take about 15-20 minutes. (Advisers only)
- Power of One Line Up: Assist with ensuring Power of One award recipients are seated alphabetically by school at the Business and Recognition Session.
- STAR Tally Room: On Monday afternoon, the STAR Events are tallied and recorded. Your assistance and calculators are greatly welcomed between 10:00 AM and 5:00 PM at the Holiday Inn.
- Lead Tours: Adults are needed to chaperone groups of about 20 students on tours. You will not be transporting any students.
- Lead FCCLA Serves: Adults are needed to chaperone groups of 8-15 students on service projects throughout the city. Your lunch on Monday will be provided as part of this project. You will not be transporting any students.
- Ushers at main sessions: Adults are needed to assist the Honorary Conference Assistants with welcoming conference attendees and checking for nametags and dress code adherence.

### **Conference Events**

#### At-a-Glance Schedule

The complete, updated At-a-Glance schedule can be found on the Nebraska FCCLA website under the "Events" tab. A finalized schedule with complete session information will be posted by March 1.

### Highlights by Day

	Sunday, April 12		
Time	Title	Details	
4:00-4:30	SPOT, SOC, and NOC Test	All candidates for these offices must report to take the	
		knowledge test for their respective candidacy	
5:30-6:00	Parliamentary Procedure Test	This test is for all Nebraska only Junior event participants as	
		well as those students competing as part of the National STAR	
		Event	
6:00-7:30	VIP Dinner	This invite only event is open to all State Officers, scholarship	
		winners, adviser award recipients, adult award recipients, and	
		their families, administrators, and advisers.	
		This event is sponsored by the Nebraska Corn Board.	
8:00-10:00	Opening General Session	Join us as we kick off a great State Leadership Conference at Pinnacle Bank Arena. Attendees will be introduced to the outstanding leaders in Nebraska FCCLA as well as hearing keynote speaker Kevin Wanzer.	
		We will also be having our Parade of Chapters featuring chapter presidents attending the SLC. Chapter Presidents must report to Pinnacle Bank Arena by 7:45 to participate. Presidents may carry a school flag or poster board with their school name (not to be bigger than 22"x28" and no flag poles).	

	Monday, April 13		
9:00-4:00	STAR Events	Check out additional conference releases for students'	
		specific competition time and location	
9:00-1:00	FCCLA Serves Projects	Students not competing are invited to help FCCLA give back to some of the great organizations in our host city, Lincoln, Nebraska. Students can participate in a variety of service projects at the following locations:• Community Action Partnerships• Fresh Starts• Keep Lincoln and Lancaster County Beautiful• Matt Talbot Kitchen and Outreach• People's City MissionRegistration for these service projects will take place as part of the conference registration and will be a first come, first served opportunity.	
9:00-3:00	Tours	<ul> <li>Students may be available to participate in a wide variety of tours including: <ul> <li>CB3 Brain Lab</li> <li>UNL Campus</li> </ul> </li> <li>Registration for these service tours will take place as part of the conference registration and will be a first come, first served opportunity.</li> </ul>	
9:00-5:30	Youth Sessions and Youth	Outstanding breakout sessions, each lasting 1 hour are being	

	Networking	planned for the entire day on Monday, April 13. This is a great way for STAR Event competitors to participate and learn.
7:30-9:00	Business and Recognition Session	Chapter awards, membership awards, program awards, and Power of One are just some of the many awards that will be given at this session. Join us as we celebrate the outstanding achievements of the chapters and members of Nebraska FCCLA.
9:30-11:30	Gala and Reception Or Movie Showing at Marcus Theatres	Chapters may choose which evening activity they would like to participate in this year! Whether it's dancing the night away or checking out the newest releases, we have got you covered! Additional details such as which movies are available will be released closer as release dates on showings are given, however a variety of movies will be offered. There will be 700 tickets available to each event and registration will take place as part of the conference registration. They will be fulfilled on a first come, first served opportunity.

Tuesday, April 14		
9:00-10:00	STAR Event Awards Session	All award winners will be announced at this session.
10:15-11:00	Closing Session	Join us as we look back on the conference and look ahead
		with our newly elected leaders of Nebraska FCCLA.
11:00-12:00	District Meetings	Some districts have chosen to have a meeting. Please check your conference program to see if and where your district is meeting.

### Recognitions

State Leadership Conference is the prime opportunity to recognize the outstanding efforts of the individuals and chapters that make Nebraska such an outstanding state association. For a complete list of awards including descriptions and applications, please see the Nebraska and National FCCLA websites.

#### **Member Awards**

A variety of member recognitions will take place at the State Leadership Conference. The following are just a few:

- Nebraska FCCLA Scholarships
- iRecruit

- Future FACS teacher recognitions
- Power of One completers

#### Adviser Awards

Advisers are truly the lifeblood of the organization. Please take time to consider applying for any of the following recognitions:

- Nebraska ACE Awards
- Spirit of Advising

- Master Adviser
- Adviser Mentor

#### Adult Awards

Everyone is thankful for all of the adult assistance offered by the members of the community including administrators, parents, and business leaders. The following are recognitions that will take place to recognize outstanding individuals at our State Leadership Conference:

• Nebraska Distinguished Service Award

- Circle of Friends recognition
- National Administrator of the Year nominee

#### **Chapter Awards**

To recognize all of the great things our chapters do throughout the year, the following are some of the chapter recognitions that will take place at State Leadership Conference.

- Do Your Part: 2s a Start
- iRecruit chapter recognition
- National Program Award
- Nebraska Chapter Awards

- Red and White Chapter Affiliation Awards
  - Feed Nebraska Awards
  - Circle of Friends Developer Contest

# **State & National Officer Election**

#### **Election Procedures for SOC and NOC**

All SOC and NOC must report for the following events:

Sunday, April 12	
4:00-4:30	Written test
4:30-5:30	Interviews (specific interview times will be given to each candidate)
8:00-10:00	Introduction at Opening General Session
11:00	1 <sup>st</sup> Letter Drop
Monday, April 13	
1:30-2:00	State Officer Candidate Orientation
2:00-4:00	Fishbowl and Speeches
10:00	2 <sup>nd</sup> Letter Drop
Tuesday, April 14	
7:00-9:00	New and Retiring State Officer Orientation

For complete information on specific procedures including weighting of candidates, see the Operational Procedures available in the "Advisers" section of the Nebraska FCCLA website. Additional information about candidate specific times can be found in the information sent to each candidate. If you have questions about your receipt of materials, please contact the State Adviser at <u>allison.kreifels@nebraska.gov</u>.

# **State Peer Officer Team Selection**

#### **Selection Procedures for SPOT**

All SPOT must report for the following events:

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Sunday, April 12	
4:00-4:30	Written test
8:00-10:00	Introduction at Opening General Session
Monday, April 13	
11:30-??	SPOT Interviews and Presentations (specific interview times will be given to each
	candidate)
10:00	Letter Drop
Tuesday, April 14	
7:00-8:00	New SPOT Team Orientation

For complete information on specific procedures, see the Operational Procedures available in the "Advisers" section of the Nebraska FCCLA website. Additional information about candidate specific times can be found in the information sent to each candidate. If you have questions about your receipt of materials, please contact the State Adviser at <u>allison.kreifels@nebraska.gov</u> or SPOT Lead Adviser, Suzanne Martin at <u>smartin@esu15.org</u>.

# **Bylaws Changes Section**

The following bylaws changes were discussed and approved by the Board of Directors on July 21, 2014 to be voted on by the delegates at the 2015 State Leadership Conference.

#### **Change to Officer Positions**

**Rationale:** By assigning consistent officer positions, progress can be made continuously and help ensure that vital programs and initiatives are carried on. In addition, students running for a State Officer position can better align their interests and abilities to positions in advance, expediting the selection process at State Officer Leadership Academy.

These specific offices were chosen due to their connection to the current and future needs of Nebraska FCCLA. In addition, they align very well to National and other State Associations' officer positions. This is important to allow our officers to network outside our state and share ideas with their cohort. **Proposal:** 

Section: Article VII - Officers

- Cross out current Sections 12, 13, and 14
- Insert the following

Section 12. Vice President of Public Relations. The Vice President of Public Relations shall assist the FCCLA State Adviser to prepare and publish the Association's newsletter, and shall communicate regularly with the representatives of the media and local FCCLA chapters to promote the activities and accomplishments of the Association and its members. The Vice President of Public Relations shall fulfill all other duties as directed by the FCCLA State Adviser or the Board of Directors.

Section 13. Vice President of Development. The Vice President of Development shall work to seek out new and continuing corporate sponsorships for the Association's programs and events, and shall provide local FCCLA chapters with resources for seeking and recognizing development opportunities for themselves. The Vice President of Development shall fulfill all other duties as directed by the FCCLA State Adviser or the Board of Directors.

Section 14. Vice President of Competitive Events. The Vice President of Competitive Events shall work to assist in the promotion, planning, and implementation of the Association's Competitive Events. The Vice President of Competitive Events shall fulfill all other duties as directed by the FCCLA State Adviser or the Board of Directors.

Section 15. Vice President of Programs. The Vice President of Programs shall work to promote, plan, and implement the Association's individual recognition and peer education programs, and shall work in cooperation with the Nebraska

State Peer Officer Team. The Vice President of National Programs shall fulfill all other duties as directed by the FCCLA State Adviser or the Board of Directors.

Section 16. Vice President of Membership. The Vice President of Membership shall work to plan and implement programs for membership promotion and development, and shall work with local chapters to engage members through recruitment, retention, and recognition efforts. The Vice President of Membership shall fulfill all other duties as directed by the FCCLA State Adviser or the Board of Directors.

• Renumber current Sections 15-17 to be Sections 17-19, respectively.

Section: Article VII - Officers, Section 1. State FCCLA Officers shall read ,

The officers of the Association shall consist of a President, First Vice President, Secretary, <del>Director of Public Relations, Historian, three Regional Vice Presidents,</del> <del>and no more than two National Officer Candidates.</del> Vice President of Public Relations, Vice President of Development, Vice President of Programs, Vice President of Membership, Vice President of Competitive Events, and no more than two National Officer Candidates.

#### **Selection of Officers Speech Content**

Rationale: This change will bring alignment to the Operational Procedures as well as secure the ability of the State Association to set an annual, specific speech topic. This topic choice will help ensure high quality content and ideas delivered by the State Officer Candidates.

Section: Article VII – Officers, Section 4. Selection of Officers. (paragraph 2) Each of the candidates shall present a <del>2 minute speech on FCCLA</del> and participate in a team building event.

Insert: "... speech up to three minutes in length on an FCCLA related topic given on the State Officer Candidate application,..."

These are the changes will be voted on by the voting delegates at the State Leadership Conference per the Amendments section of the Nebraska Bylaws (Article XII). For questions or clarifications about these bylaws amendments, please contact the State Adviser at <u>allison.kreifels@nebraska.gov</u>.

### **Registration and Housing Section**

#### **Registration Preparation Checklist**

The following are things advisers should have prepared prior to beginning and completing registration:

- □ Which students are attending
- $\hfill\square$  Which student is in each STAR Event
- □ How many meals to purchase for Monday (optional)
- □ How many tickets to the movie or the gala you will need (please note that if your students are in two different locations you MUST have a chaperone available to attend each location)
- □ T-shirt sizes (optional)
- □ Which students are participating in the FCCLA Serves projects
- □ Which students are attending the tours sponsored by FCCLA

#### Rates

The following rates will apply to the 2015 State Leadership Conference.

**Chapter Participation Fee** This fee is assessed based on the number of affiliated members this year.

The following outlines the amounts 1-15 members=\$25 16-30 members=\$30

31-45 members=\$35 46+ members=\$40

**Individual Fee** The conference registration fee, set by the Board of Directors will be \$40 this year. This fee includes the cost of the social activity on Monday evening as well as admission to all conference activities.

**Complementary Registrations** Complementary registrations are extended to District Advisors, STAR Coordinators, and SPOT Advisers who bring an adult assistant to help with the conference. If another adult is not brought, the complementary registration is forfeited. Complementary registrations are also extended to all current members of the State Officer Team.

**Honorary Conference Assistant Fee** Students chosen to serve as Honorary Conference Assistants may be registered for a \$20 registration fee.

**Optional Monday Lunch** As an option, payment for lunch at the Holiday Inn on Monday may be submitted in advance. Holiday Inn has requested that we provide a count for the number of individuals who will be eating that day. Lunch on Monday is provided, with no charge, to all FCCLA Serves participants, STAR Event judges and lead consultants, Honorary Conference Assistants, SPOT Advisers, and members of the State Officer Team. If you would like to purchase this lunch for students in advance, you will be charged \$10 per student during registration. The lunch you will choose from when registering is:

- Cold meat sandwich (ham or turkey available), chips, cookie, and pop
- Chicken fingers, chips, cookie, and pop
- Macaroni and cheese, cookie, and pop

When you pick up your packet at SLC, you will receive enough lunch tickets per order for those who purchased the lunch. Participants are NOT required to purchase this lunch.

#### **Housing Reservations**

All housing reservations should be submitted to the hotel directly, not to the State Office. Chapters are highly encouraged to stay at the Holiday Inn-Downtown which is the main conference hotel. Details on direct billing and the reservation form for the hotel can be found on the "Meetings" page of the Nebraska FCCLA website.

You may also go to <u>http://www.lincoln.org</u> for a list of hotels in Lincoln.

#### Hotel Etiquette

Advisers, please educate your students on hotel etiquette. There are more people staying in these hotels than just FCCLA members. Please remind them that these business people make first impressions about the student and our organization based on what they see and hear in the hallways, on the elevators, and in the lobbies. If you don't want FCCLA to have a negative reputation, instruct them to dress and act appropriately.

The following are a few specific tips to share:

- Always allow people to exit the elevator before boarding.
- Taking the escalator is a privilege; do not ruin that by attempting to go the wrong way on one.

- Treat and tip hotel employees for the services they provide. This may include shuttle bus drivers, housekeeping, wait staff, and others. (10% is a good basic guideline for most services)
- Appropriate attire should be worn before, during, and after visiting hotel facilities. Inappropriate examples would include wearing slippers to breakfast, a towel and/or bare feet to and from the pool, or going shirtless in the fitness center.
- Take what you want, but eat what you take. Holiday Inn provides a free breakfast to all guests but make sure your students understand that this means they should eat what they take rather than waste food.

#### **Shirt Orders**

Additional information will be added at a later date.

### **STAR Events Section**

#### **Schedule Information**

STAR Event competitions will take place on Monday, April 13 with the exception of the Nebraska Parliamentary Procedure and the written test for the National Parliamentary Procedure event. This written test will take place at 5:30 PM on Sunday, April 12 at the Holiday Inn.

Events will be distributed between the Holiday Inn and Pinnacle Bank Arena. A complete schedule will be released by March 20 and will be submitted to Chapter Advisers via the listserv and posted on the Nebraska FCCLA website.

#### **Mandatory Sessions**

STAR Event participants are required to attend three events. The first is their participant orientation at 8:00 AM on Monday, April 13. If the event is a team event, only one participant has to be in attendance. The second is their actual presentation time. The third and final is the STAR Event Recognition Session which begins at 9:00 AM on Tuesday, April 14. In order for participants to receive their medal they MUST attend this session. Medals will NOT be mailed to chapters after the event.

#### Registration

Names and events are submitted by District STAR Coordinators. Advisers will have to register students for the events through the conference registration system. All STAR Event participants **must** be affiliated at all levels by March 1.

Registration fees for each participant are \$14 with Culinary Arts events fees at \$20 per participant.

### Success at SLC

#### **Getting to Know Lincoln**

Advisers and all attendees are encouraged to familiarize themselves with the Haymarket and Railyard areas of downtown Lincoln. Complete maps and business information can be found at <u>www.canopyst.com</u>, <u>www.lincolnhaymarket.org</u>, and <u>www.lincoln.org</u>. The Lincoln Convention and Visitors Bureau also provides a free app for Android and Apple.



For those of you staying at the Holiday Inn, free parking is available. All standard vehicles are encouraged to park in the Holiday Inn parking garage. However large vehicles, vans, and busses may park at the Festival Lot at Pinnacle Bank, free of charge, and then be shuttled by the Holiday Inn shuttle. Please note that drivers should drop off their students at the hotel, rather than having a large group ride the shuttle back. The Festival Lot is located directly north of the Pinnacle Bank Arena. Maps of each facility's interior will be provided in the conference program as well.

#### Safety at SLC

The following are guidelines and suggestions to keep in mind to keep you and your students safe at SLC

- 1. All conference participants must wear a name badge in order to gain admittance into FCCLA events and meetings. Everyone must register for the conference in order to receive a name badge.
- 2. Make sure you have a list of who is staying in each hotel room and what their room number is.
- 3. Do NOT post students' names on the outside of their hotel doors.
- 4. Ensure students keep their doors completely shut and NEVER put the lock out to keep their door open.
- 5. While the neighborhood of the hotel and arena are extremely safe, students should always travel with at least one other individual.
- 6. Observe the curfew time.
- 7. Pay attention to traffic signs and flow. Many streets become one-way once you enter the downtown area. Most streets in the Haymarket area are 2-way.