



## Major Changes in the 2017-2018 Competitive Events Guide

The following is a listing of the major changes in the 2017-2018 national Competitive Events Guide. It is in no way inclusive and participants and advisers should continue to read the event rules carefully to ensure eligibility and successful event completion and presentation.

**The national *Competitive Events Guide* is not available on the FCCLA website.**

This resource, provided for members and developed with funds from membership dues, is available to chapters through the FCCLA Portal. The national *Competitive Events Guide* will only be available to affiliated chapters beginning November 1.

### State and National STAR Events

- Events are now presented in an A to Z format.
- Career Preparation events are now known as Career Focused events.
- The Online Project Summary Form will now be located in the “Surveys” tab of the FCCLA Portal and not as a link on the FCCLA website.
- All events have a listing of Career Cluster alignments.
- For National Leadership Conference, event orientations will again be online only. For events held at the 2018 Virginia FCCLA State Leadership & Recognition Conference, there will be no orientation for event participants. An online orientation video will be made available for evaluators at state competition.
- Testing in **Applied Math for Culinary Management** and **Parliamentary Procedure** for National Leadership Conference participants will have the online testing window of May 7-23, 2018. State competition will use paper/pencil tests for these two events, and will be scheduled for Friday morning as part of the onsite competition.
- Project identification pages no longer require that the FCCLA national region be listed.
- Tie-breaker criteria has been provided for use at National Leadership Conference, using Virginia FCCLA's model.
- The **Classic Knife Cuts & Chicken Fabrication** state event has been revised to drop the "temperature" specification, replacing that with "Personal Safety". In addition, the meat cleaver for the chicken fabrication portion has been removed from the equipment list. Added to the equipment list is a safety glove (required) and a sharpening steel (optional).
- The Box 1 equipment list for the **Culinary Arts** competition at state has been revised and is posted on the Virginia FCCLA website. Added to the list are 10 portion cups per team and a safety glove for each team member.
- The **Culinary Arts** Point Summary Form and Rubric have been revised.
- The Activity Planning Form for **Early Childhood Education** has been updated.
- A new Resources Summary Template has been provided for **Life Event Planning**.
- **Recycle and Redesign** now includes criteria related to practicality of use or reuse in design skills.
- The new “**Say Yes to FCS Education**” event is now available for Senior and Occupational categories.
- The **Teach and Train** Lesson/Workshop Plan has been updated.

## **FCCLA/LifeSmarts Knowledge Bowl - National Cluster Meeting and National Leadership Conference**

- No major changes.
- TeamSmarts Quiz dates are September 18 – October 27, 2017

### **Knowledge Matters Virtual Business Challenge – Personal Finance - Online**

- The FCCLA Virtual Business Challenge-Personal Finance contest encourages FCCLA members to test their skills in personal finance. This competition continues to be a free event for affiliated FCCLA members.
- The FCCLA Virtual Business Challenge consists of two competition rounds. Registration begins October 10, 2017. Round One will begin on October 24, 2017 at 10AM EST and will end on November 17, 2017 at 5PM EST. Round Two will begin on February 5, 2018 at 10AM EST and will end on March 2, 2018 at 5PM EST. Teams may participate in one or both rounds.
- The National Championship Round will be held online from March 26, 2018 – April 6, 2018 and will only be open to qualifying teams.
- The winning teams from the National Championship Round will receive NLC travel awards to participate in the Knowledge Matters exhibit to demonstrate the simulation.

### **Skill Demonstration Events - National Cluster Meetings**

- To compete in Skill Demonstration Events, members must have FCCLA national dues paid when registering online for Cluster Meeting. Registrations are first-come, first-served until the event is full.
- Online Challenge testing dates are October 23-27, 2017.

**Please read event rules carefully to ensure eligibility and receive the highest possible points on your project.**

*For additional clarification of rules in the national Competitive Events Guide, please email [starevents@fcclainc.org](mailto:starevents@fcclainc.org).*

