



Family, Career & Community Leaders of America
Missouri FCCLA

TO: National Leadership Conference Delegates

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Congratulations on being a member of the Missouri delegation to the 2018 National FCCLA Leadership Conference! The 2017-2018 National Executive Council invites you to NLC to be held June 28- July 2 in Atlanta, Georgia. Local attractions include the Georgia Aquarium, World of Coca-Cola, CNN Center and Atlanta Botanical Garden. The NLC conference brochure is available on the National FCCLA website at:

<http://fcclainc.org/meetings/national-leadership-conference.php>.

ADULT SUPERVISION

Advisers choosing to send delegates to National Leadership Conference but who are not attending themselves **must** arrange appropriate adult supervision for those delegates. This could include sending other adults, or making arrangements with another adviser. The state office **does not** arrange adult supervision for student delegates. Independent Delegate Forms must be completed for all students under the supervision of someone other than a chapter adviser.

TRAVEL

Transportation to and from National Leadership Conference is arranged by the local chapter adviser. Regional groups may wish to arrange group transportation at their discretion.

Chapter advisers must register between 7:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 28, to pick up their conference and competitive event packets. NOTE: Arrival on Wednesday, June 27, guarantees advisers meet the requirement to pick up competitive events registration packet information. Delayed or canceled flights on Thursday could cause chapters to miss a required orientation or other activity. National FCCLA cannot waive points because of travel (e.g., flight delays or late arrivals). Advisers should review the activities Thursday morning that might involve their chapter members (Knowledge Bowl, etc.). If arriving before check-in time at the hotel, ask to have your luggage checked for you until the rooms are available.

STAR Events Recognition Session and Closing General Session

The STAR Events recognition sessions are scheduled for 12:30 – 3:00 p.m. Monday afternoon, July 2 (all regions). The closing general session is set for 5:30-7:00 p.m. Monday, and the FCCLA Gala immediately follows the closing session (7:30-10:30 p.m.).

MEETING COSTS

All Missouri delegates attending the National Leadership Conference must register directly with National FCCLA and send their registration payment to national headquarters. The following is an **estimated** cost of the National Leadership Conference.

NLC Weekly Registration Early (ends May 1).....	\$190
NLC Weekly Registration (regular – ends June 1).....	\$200
STAR Events participant fee (per person), including Online STAR Events (by May 1)	\$45
Online STAR Events Level II technology fee (per team).....	\$25

HOUSING INFORMATION

The National Board of Directors has established a policy regarding official hotels at the National Leadership Conference. All STAR Events participants and national officer candidates must stay in an official hotel. **It is Missouri FCCLA’s policy that all Missouri delegates are housed together in the assigned hotel.** All delegates will be housed with the Missouri group — **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

All housing requests and reservations for the Missouri delegation are coordinated through National Travel Systems Contact:

National Travel Systems Event Department, 4314 S Loop 289 Suite 300, Lubbock TX 79413
Phone: 888-603-8747 or 806-794-3135 • Fax: 800-554-7799 • E-mail: events@nationaltravelsystems.com

The Missouri Association has been assigned to the:
Atlanta Marriot Marquis, 265 Peachtree Center Avenue, Atlanta, GA 30303
(404) 521-0000
<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/atlmq-atlanta-marriott-marquis>

Cost is per person, not per room. All those registering as part of the Missouri delegation must stay at the **Atlanta Marriot Marquis**. The Single/Double/Triple/Quad room rate is \$189.00, plus tax. Estimated costs include the 16% occupancy tax, per room, per night, and a \$35 management fee (per person) and state delegation package fee to National Travel Systems. Estimated cost for five or six nights, per person:

Single (1 queen/king-sized bed per room).....	\$ 1,195 (5 nights) or \$1,421 (6 nights)
Double (1 queen/king-sized bed per room).....	\$630 (5 nights) or \$743 (6 nights)
Triple (2 double/queen beds per room or 1 king/queen bed + rollaway)	\$442 (5 nights) or \$517 (6 nights)
Quad (2 double/queen beds per room).....	\$348 (5 nights) or \$404 (6 nights)

Chapters desiring to arrive early or stay later may contact National Travel Systems for the costs for those additional nights.

Rooming and housing submission will be completed in an excel document and emailed to National Travel Note: If you pay your chapter's rooming by credit card, the credit card processing fee (4.5%) will be added to the total amount. Delegates must indicate their housing preferences (single, double, triple or quad lodging) in the excel document. Rooming requests will be honored as much as possible. **Rooming requests must be turned into National Travel Systems by April 16.** If delegates have requested quad lodging but triple is only available, they will be responsible for the triple rates.

Advisers should be aware of any school policies related to housing students and adults together. Delegates choosing quad housing may be housed with students or advisers from other schools, especially when group numbers are uneven. If special accommodations are needed for a delegate, please notify National Travel Systems.

It is imperative that you complete your housing request and email no later than April 16th. All payments for housing will be handled through National Travel Systems. The balance is due May 25th.

TRAVEL

National Travel Systems will be available to assist with air reservations (both group air (10 and more) and individual) for the local chapters. Group air reservations are very beneficial in flexibility of the tickets (names not needed to be provided immediately, ticketing due for future dates, name changes allowed, etc.). Even if your chapter has less than 10 attendees, National Travel Systems will look to pair your attendees up with other chapters to make groups.

As well, National Travel Systems can assist with airport transportation. They provide meet and greet service and create a seamless arrival and departure.

LEADERSHIP STIPENDS

Missouri FCCLA will provide a \$75 stipend to each state officer's adviser/chaperone; and a \$300 stipend to each state officer attending NLC. These stipends will be issued to the members' chapter 2-4 weeks *after* successful completion of the National Leadership Conference.

REGISTRATION

All chapter advisers attending the National Leadership Conference must register directly with National FCCLA by using the 2018 National Leadership Conference (NLC) online registration system in the affiliation system.

Chapters wishing to purchase tickets for the Closing Gala, CEU Credits and the Run4Red 5K Run/Walk, should purchase these directly from National FCCLA along with their conference registration fees. Early registration ends May 1, and the conference registration fee increases. Regular registration ends June 1. Late registration begins June 2 and will be on a limited space availability basis.

NATIONAL STAR EVENTS PARTICIPANTS

All chapter advisers must register their STAR Events participants with National FCCLA. Remember, since you indicated that you would attend the National Leadership Conference if you were the state winner, Missouri FCCLA **expects** you to honor that commitment. **National STAR Events registration deadline is May 1.** If extenuating circumstances prevent a team/individual from participating, it is imperative that you let the state office know as soon as possible so we can allow the next chapter the opportunity to compete.

Please watch the national website, the MO-FACS list serve, and MO FCCLA website for important information regarding NLC. There will be two more mailings regarding updates for NLC that will be released from the state office.

TOURS

Chapters may arrange for optional tours on their own. Tours can be purchased directly from National FCCLA along with your registration. Visit: <http://fcclainc.org/meetings/national-leadership-conference.php> for a complete list of tour options.

NLC REGISTRATION PAYMENT POLICY

For chapters paying by purchase order or check, full payment must be received by June 15, 2018. Any invoices that have not been paid by June 15th will incur a \$25 late fee per invoice. Registration packets will only be distributed to attendees with a zero balance or by securing the balance with another form of payment when picking up materials. This policy is stated in the Registration Information and Policies document that has been posted on the National FCCLA website and in the NLC Registration system. Before chapters can finish the registration process, they must check that they agree to the Registration Information and Policies. It will be important that you work with your administrative offices to make sure payments are processed to meet this deadline.

STAR EVENTS EVALUATORS AND ROOM CONSULTANTS

Being a STAR Events evaluator or room consultant during the National Leadership Conference can be a worthwhile and rewarding experience. When submitting registration, advisers can submit the names of their chapter members who have had experience with regional, district, state or national STAR Events and wish to serve as a consultant or an evaluator of the national events. **Missouri is required to have one room consultant/evaluator for every three National STAR Events participants from our state. It is critical that adults and others attending this conference sign up to help with competitive events on at least one of the days of competition.**

MANDATORY DRESS POLICY

FCCLA is continuing the **mandatory** dress policy at the 2018 National Leadership Conference (<http://fcclainc.org/meetings/fccla-dress-code.php>). The national dress code is different than the state dress code. **Remember this is now a red blazer, black pants, and white oxford or black sheath dress.**

STATE PACKAGE

The state will be offering t-shirts, book bags and trading pins this year. The fees associated with this are included in your housing payment that is to be paid to National Travel Systems. Packages will be distributed at the first meeting of the Missouri association, more information will be available later on this

date. Packages will only be distributed during the state meeting. If a chapter is unable to pick it up at that time, they should make arrangements with another chapter to pick them up. Packages not picked up at the designed time may not be available and will not be shipped after the conference.

TRADING PINS

During the National Leadership Conference, all 50 states plus Puerto Rico are usually represented. Many delegates enjoy trading pins with delegates from other states. Some even try to see if they can collect a pin from every state represented! When participants have booked their housing with National Travel Systems they will receive 5 complimentary trading pins. These pins will be sent after the invoices are sent by National Travel Systems confirming your attendance.

Additional Trading Pins.....\$5, \$8, or \$9

During the National Leadership Conference, all 50 states plus Puerto Rico are usually represented. Many delegates enjoy trading pins with delegates from other states. Some even try to see if they can collect a pin from every state represented! As a part of your registration package, each delegate will receive five trading pins. Additional pins will be sold in the following packages:

10 for \$5.00 (.50 each) 20 for \$8.00 (.40 each) 30 for \$9.00 (.30 each)

Pins should be pre-ordered and payment submitted to the state office. Pins will be mailed to delegates prior to National Leadership Conference so that delegates can begin trading immediately upon arrival in Atlanta, GA.

Please contact the state office if you have questions.

- Enclosures: Independent Delegate Form
- NLC Schedule At-A-Glance
- National Leadership Conference Checklist and Due Dates
- Sample Medical Release Form