

## OPENING CEREMONY

**President:** Gives a rap with the gavel, signaling the officers and members to stand and begins the meeting by stating:

“We are members of Family, Career and Community Leaders of America. Our mission is to promote personal growth and leadership development through family and consumer sciences education.”

**Officers:** “Focusing on the multiple roles of family member, wage earner, and community leader, members develop skills for life through character development, creative and critical thinking, interpersonal communication, practical knowledge, and career preparation.”

**Members:** “As we work toward the accomplishment of our goals, we learn cooperation, take responsibility, develop leadership and give service.”

**President:** “This meeting of the \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter of Family, Career and Community Leaders of America is now in session. You may be seated.”

## CLOSING CEREMONY

**President:** “Members, please stand. FCCLA members, we are challenged to accept the responsibility of making decisions that affect our lives today and the world tomorrow. Let us repeat our Creed.”

**Members in Unison:** (Repeat Creed)

## CREED

We are the Family, Career and Community Leaders of America.  
We face the future with warm courage  
and high hope.  
For we have the clear consciousness of seeking  
old and precious values,  
For we are the builders of homes,  
homes for America's future,  
Homes where living will be the expression of everything  
that is good and fair,  
Homes where truth and love and security and faith  
will be realities, not dreams.

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**President:** “This meeting of the \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter of Family, Career and Community Leaders of America is now adjourned.” (Raps gavel.)