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**All STAR Events competitors from Liberty Middle School- Newton County Schools qualify to compete at the National FCCLA Leadership Conference in San Diego, CA.**

***Classic Center: Athens, GA – March 24-26, 2022*** — There are over 20,000 Georgia FCCLA members and over 200 GA FCCLA chapters. While attending the Georgia FCCLA State Leadership Conference, students had the opportunity to expand their leadership potential and develop skills for life planning, goal setting, problem solving, decision making and interpersonal communication necessary in the workforce. One of the main activities at the conference are the competitive events. The Award Ceremony was held Saturday, March 26h. During this session, winners from STAR Events and State competitive events were recognized. Students Taking Action with Recognition (STAR) Events are Competitive Events in which members compete at the region/district, state, and national level and are recognized for proficiency and achievement in chapter and individual projects, leadership skills, and career preparation. FCCLA offers three ways to compete: Online National STAR Events; Region, State, and National STAR Events; and State Events.

**Online National STAR Events** are competitive events that if the project qualify advances straight to the National Competition. The members must provide all required elements by February 1. The qualifying projects are announced mid-March.

**Region, State, National STAR Events** are competitive events that members must first register at the region level and compete at the region level. The top two individuals/teams from each event category will be eligible for State STAR Events Competition, providing the score is in the SILVER or GOLD rating. At the State Conference/Competition, the top two individuals/teams from each event category will be eligible to compete at the National STAR Events Competition, providing the score is in the SILVER or GOLD rating.

**State Events** are competitive events that do NOT advance to the National level. However, the top three students are awarded cash prizes. First place - \$100, Second place - \$75, and Third place - \$50.

### **Awards Received**

Online National STAR Events					
Event Category	Competitor(s)	Status			
Digital Stories for Change - Did You Hear What Happened to Olivia?	Delamar, Alexcia	Submitted Project in February			
		Qualified to compete at National Leadership Conference in March			
Region, State, National STAR Events					
Event Category	Competitor(s)	Medal GOLD (Score:100-90)	Medal SILVER (Score:89-70)	Medal BRONZE (Score:69-0)	National Qualifier - Place in GA FCCLA
Chapter in Review Display	Lowe, Clarkston	✓			1
	Ware, Nina				
Entrepreneurship - K & K Cosmetics	Kossonou, Kanya	✓			2
Food Innovations - It's Buzzin'	Duncombe, Tamaya	✓			1
	Thomas, Kylah				
Repurpose & Redesign - Jeans & Things	Armendariz, Emily	✓			2
	Parsons, Lauren				
State Events					
Event Category	Competitor(s)	1st Place (Award: \$100)	2nd Place (Award: \$75)	3rd Place (Award: \$50)	
Digital Delish Dish - "The Ooey Gooley Butternut Squash and Cauliflower Mac n Cheese"	Delamar, Zamyia		✓		
	Parsons, Aaliyah				

For more information on Georgia FCCLA, visit [www.gafccla.com](http://www.gafccla.com).

**About FCCLA**

Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA), is a dynamic and effective national student organization that helps young men and women become leaders and address important personal, family, work, and societal issues through Family and Consumer Sciences education. FCCLA has over 150,000 members and over 6,500 chapters from 50 state associations, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands. The organization has involved more than ten million youth since its founding in 1945.

**FCCLA: The Ultimate Leadership Experience is unique among youth organizations because it is the only career and technical in-school student organization with the family as its central focus. Participation in national programs and chapter activities helps members become strong leaders in their families, careers, and communities.**