



## **Leilani Mullins** **National Vice-President of Membership**

Leilani Mullins is a senior at Swink High School in Swink, Colorado. She first affiliated with FCCLA in 9<sup>th</sup> grade, but FCCLA has been in her life since she was born. She set her sights high when, at the National Leadership Meeting in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania in 2003, she first dreamed of becoming a national officer. Three years later, as a freshman, Leilani became the Vice President of STAR Events in her chapter, where she completed projects with Power of One and competed in Career Investigation earning a gold medal at Nationals in Anaheim, California. As a sophomore, she served the Arkansas Valley district, also as the VP of STAR Events, and began the quest towards becoming a state officer. In April of 2008, she was elected to represent Colorado as First Vice President. Throughout this remarkable year of traveling across the nation, making amazing friends, and gaining leadership experience, Leilani also began the journey towards becoming part of the National Executive Council. After these wonderful experiences, Leilani is thrilled to serve as the 2009-2010 National Vice President of Membership for FCCLA.

When Leilani isn't FCCLA-ing, she fills her time with many activities. This year, she will serve as the Swink High School FCCLA representative to the Student Government, where she will help bring exciting ideas and activities to her fellow students. She also is very active in FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America), where she competed at the NLC in Anaheim in Public Speaking II, as well as taking part in the service project, Kindergarten Buddies. Outside of extracurricular activities, Leilani can often be found at the Otero Junior College where she has taken dance for 14 years. Whether it's ballet, tap, jazz, or any other form of dance, she is always ready to work hard to perfect her technique. In the small amount of spare time she has, Leilani often hangs out with friends, reads books, and watches as many Disney movies as possible.

Right now, Leilani plans to attend Colorado State University at Pueblo to complete her general education, and decide where to go from there. She plans on becoming a Family and Consumer Sciences teacher, and, of course, giving back to FCCLA by becoming an adviser. She is thankful that FCCLA has given her a direction in life and the skills necessary to follow that path.

Just as Dr. Seuss exclaims, "You have brains in your head, you have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself any direction you choose!" FCCLA members are not only in possession of brains and feet, but are also in possession of the potential to become ultimate leaders. So set your compass towards success, and get ready to go because "You are the one who'll decide where to go!"