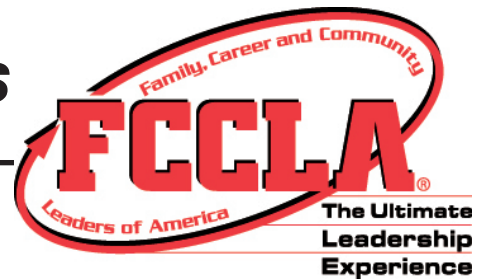


Teaching with *Teen Times*

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Teen Times is a valuable tool for use in Family and Consumer Sciences classes. The articles in this month's issue can be used in class in many ways, including:

■ After reading "Plotting Your Career Path" on page 8, have students select an interest they currently have and determine a list of possible careers that could grow out of that interest. Have them select one career from their list and prepare a report that highlights what the work entails, what they would need to do to prepare for that career, what the typical earnings are, and what the prospects are for the future in that field. Have students present their reports in class or prepare a mini poster that can be hung in the classroom.

■ Assign students to check out the projected employment patterns on the Bureau of Labor Statistics website at www.bls.gov/news.release/ecopro.nr0.htm then create a bulletin board, posters, or a PowerPoint presentation to let other students know what the fastest growing careers are projected to be.

■ Read about the Career Connection national award winners by visiting *Teen Times Online* at

www.fcclainc.org/content/teen-times/ then discuss ways your chapter members can help their peers learn about possible careers.

■ After reading "My Words" on page 11, have students write a short essay about how being involved in FCCLA has affected them.

■ Read "FCCLA in Action" on pages 12–13, then ask students to identify which of your chapter activities they would like to submit to *Teen Times*. Send a description and a photo of the activity to lshields@fcclainc.org.

■ Use the "Can You Ace Your Presentation" Quick Quiz on page 16 for students participating in STAR Events to assess their level of readiness to present. Once they've completed the quiz, have each student develop a plan for improving any weak areas.

■ Assign the "Teen Times Word Search" on the back of this page to encourage students to read all the articles in this issue. Answers can be found on the FCCLA website.

Resources

Check out these websites for more information on creating and delivering successful presentations:

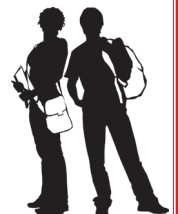
How to Write a Speech in 5 Minutes— Although it focuses on how to pull together a speech at very short notice, the steps involved can also be applied to speeches you prepare for. <http://redcatco.com/blog/communication/how-to-write-a-speech-in-5-minutes/>

Presentation Zen— This site features a nice collection of postings on a variety of presentation topics. www.presentationzen.com/

Deliver a Presentation Like Steve Jobs— This author extracted 10 elements of Steve Jobs' 2007 MacWorld speech that you can use to wow your audiences too. www.businessweek.com/smallbiz/content/jan2008/sb20080125_269732.htm

Rock Your Presentation— This site features a listing of great tools and apps you can use to make your presentation go smoothly. <http://lifelifehacker.com/software/geek-to-live/rock-your-presentation-with-the-right-tools-and-apps-304418.php>

This is the last issue of *Teen Times* for the 2008–2009 school year, but we hope your chapter has plans to keep members involved right to the end of this year, keep in touch through the summer, and bring them back ready for action next year. Have a great summer— **We hope to see you at the National Leadership Conference in July!**



Teen Times Word Search

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The answers to the following questions from articles in the March/April 2009 issue of *Teen Times* can be found in the word search below.

1. Traffic _____ are the number one cause of death for youth in the United States.
2. The National Day to Prevent Teen _____ will be held on May 6, 2009.
3. Derek Hahn, _____ FCCLA State President, gave some good advice about selecting a STAR Event topic.
4. Cali Crissup, National Vice-President of STAR Events, recommends that to make a good impression at STAR Events you should always be _____.
5. Alissa Belna, _____ FCCLA State Secretary, recommends staying happy and _____, even if you make a mistake during a STAR Events presentation.
6. A good source for entrepreneurship information is the National Collegiate Inventors and _____ Alliance.
7. Prepare the perfect speech and learn the best techniques for presentation with _____.
8. Master the art of the job interview with advice and guidelines from _____ .com.
9. _____ workers nurture and care for children who have not yet entered formal schooling.
10. Fashion _____ study fashion trends, sketch designs of clothing and accessories, select colors and fabrics, and oversee the final production of their designs.
11. Maureen Gburek, National Vice-President of Membership, thought the excitement at President Obama's inauguration was _____.
12. Buffalo Gap FCCLA members in Virginia raised money to purchase a _____ for a fellow student.
13. Willard High FCCLA , Mo., members hosted an annual _____ drive that recruited 154 donors.
14. Houston County High FCCLA, Ga., donated more than 40 Project _____ blankets to children at Houston Medical Center.
15. Chapter members from Charlton County High, Ga., hosted a special recognition luncheon for the _____ and _____ staff.

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