



FCCLA E-Adviser

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Happy Thanksgiving!

From the Executive Office

Last week FCCLA national headquarters submitted a planning proposal to the Corporation for National and Community Service on utilizing Family and Consumer Sciences (FACS) pre-professional and retired FACS educators as AmeriCorps volunteer members to serve as adjunct advisers in targeted urban and rural communities in building up the capacity to develop FCCLA chapters in those communities. Results will be provided in January. – *Michael L. Benjamin, M.P.H., CAE, Executive Director*

Awards and Scholarships

Award and Scholarship-Deadlines Approaching!

Alumni Achievement, Distinguished Service, and Honorary Member Awards

Deadline for these FCCLA adult awards is December 1, 2008. Visit the [Adult Awards](#) section of the website to download the application!

Beth Middleton Memorial Scholarship

Please remember to encourage all eligible members to apply for the Beth Middleton Memorial Scholarship. Deadline is December 1, 2008. Visit the [Scholarships](#) section of the website to download the application!

Leaders in Learning Awards

Cable's Leaders in Learning Awards program is a national initiative recognizing quality learning programs created by educators, administrators, public officials, and community leaders at all levels, in all disciplines, and in all kinds of learning settings. The deadline for entries in this year's program is: December 17, 2008. Find more information at www.LeadersInLearningAwards.org. Winners will be announced in the spring of 2009.

In addition to national and local recognition, each LIL winner receives:

- A \$3,000 cash prize
- An all-expense-paid trip to Washington, DC in June, 2009
- The opportunity to visit with Members of Congress to talk about their award-winning programs, and
- Will be the guests of honor at an awards ceremony in Washington with policymakers, national education leaders, and other VIPS.

Membership

Thank you for your early affiliations! More than 340 chapter advisers signed up for the November 1st incentive. National headquarters is verifying affiliations and will send out selected CDs soon.

Program Updates

Feed The Children

Last Year, we donated 30 trucks to Feed The Children. This year we are hoping to double out total contribution by donating at least another 30 trucks. If each one of our members gave \$1 we can reach our goal in a matter of days, if we each gave \$2-\$3, maybe more, the possibilities are endless. Encourage your chapter to make a difference, Feed The Children!

Japanese Exchange

Please note that the deadline for the Japanese Exchange Program application is January 6, 2009. Be sure to make note of this on your *At-A-Glance* calendar! Visit [Japanese Exchange](#) section of the website for program details.

Stop Bullying Now! in Your School

Stop Bullying Now!, a campaign designed to prevent and reduce bullying, is pleased to offer FCCLA advisers the *Stop Bullying Now! Activities Guide*, a handbook of ideas for putting the Stop Bullying Now! campaign to work in your community. For more information visit www.stopbullyingnow.hrsa.gov, or to get a free copy of the *Stop Bullying Now! Activities Guide*, please contact Nicolle Grayson at Nicolle.Grayson@widmeyer.com.

Miscellaneous

Current Grant Opportunities

Consider applying for one of these grants to fund your chapter's project this year:

Community Service

Media That Matters- Deadline: Jan. 9

A Showcase for short films with big messages, including youth-produced projects, www.mediathatmattersfest.org/submit.

Do Something- Deadline: Various

An assortment of grants, <http://www.dosomething.org/grants>.

Families First

Young Parents Demonstrations- Deadline: Nov. 17

To provide educational and occupational skills training to young parents, especially those in high-risk categories, www.doleta.gov/business/Community-basedjobtraininggrants.cfm.

Student Body

Stoneyfield kaBOOM! Double Play- Deadline: Dec. 31

Funding for volunteer projects to build or improve a playground, skate park, basketball court, sports field or similar play space, www.stoneyfield.com/kaboom/rules.cfm.

NFL Youth Football Fund Grassroots Program- Deadline: Dec. 15

Upgrade existing facilities that are in poor condition or otherwise underutilized, www.lisc.org/docs/2008_nfl_grassroots_rfp.pdf.

Misc.

Neighborhood Funders Group-

Foundation website with participating grant makers, <http://www.nfg.org/about/list.htm>.

Have a great funding resource site you'd like to share? Email Nicolle DiPasquale at ndipasquale@fcclainc.org.

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