

# Alabama FCS Newsletter

September 15, 2023



## *Expert Reviewers for Human Services Course of Study*

A draft version of the Human Services Course of Study is available for review and for comments. If you would like to review and provide feedback you may access the Expert Reviewer form by clicking on the

[link](#).



## *FCS Teacher Directory 23-24*

Please complete information on this [form](#) to update information for our teacher directory. This is the same link provided at summer conference. If you completed there, you do not need to complete again. Thank you for your assistance to help us keep a current list of teachers and programs.

## *FCCLA State Leadership Volunteer Registration*

SLC can't happen without the assistance of our fabulous advisers. Please take a moment to complete the information on how best you are able to assist. We will do our best to assign you to your preference, but please note that there are many stations that need to be filled in order for SLC to be a success. [Adviser Volunteer Interest Form](#)

## *New FCS Teachers*

Please welcome new members to the FCS/FCCLA family:

Lisa Worley: Coosa County High School  
Arjay Gomes: Central High School Phenix City  
Trebor Dukes: Selma High School  
Darrell Spencer: Escambia County High School  
George Keller: Alabama Aerospace and Aviation High School  
Kara Downs: Beulah High School  
Jennifer Bradford: Headland High School  
Kalee Hinson: Summerdale Middle School  
Garrison Williams: Foley High School  
Rona Sanford: Elberta High School  
Delinda Colbaugh: Stanhope Elmore High School  
Reese Ruffin: Vigor High School  
Jennifer Woods: Bryant Career Tech Center  
Sara Stokes: Alma Bryant High School  
Tomeka Day; Williamson High School  
Patricia Webb: Augusta Evans  
Regina Madise; Mary G. Montgomery  
Joy Sanders; Northside High School  
June Young: Pike Road High School  
Bridgette Cook: Greenville High School  
Steven McIntyre: AH Parker High School  
Anita Newman: Madison County CTC  
Percina Hale: Hazel Green High School  
Madison Ballard: Vinemont High School



Jordan Shelton: Russellville High School  
Kimberly Counts: Tallapoosa/Edward Bell CTC  
Melissa Gilbert: Marshall County CTC  
Benjamin Heatherly: Cullman High School  
Sara Kilpatrick: Cullman Area CTC  
Meggin Mayben: Demopolis High School  
Annmarie McCondichie: Pleasant Grove High School  
Tabatha Smith: Tallapoosa County/Edward Bell CTC  
Jennifer Young: Elmore County CTC  
Angela Baldwin: Leeds High School  
TeMekia Franklin: McAdory Middle School  
Melissa Haddock: Rehobeth High School  
Dena Leuci: Samson High School  
Anna McCullers: Montevallo Middle School  
Macey Orr: Brindlee Mountain High School  
Amber Salmon: Enterprise High School  
Mary West: Brookwood High School  
LaVitta Sims: Jackson-Olin High School  
Nissi Clingan: West Limestone High School  
Jennifer Nichols: Carbon Hill High School  
Sarah Alcorn: Hampton Cove Middle School  
Brandy Williams: Central High School of Clay County  
Stephanie Dykins: Dothan CTC

Movers and Shakers:

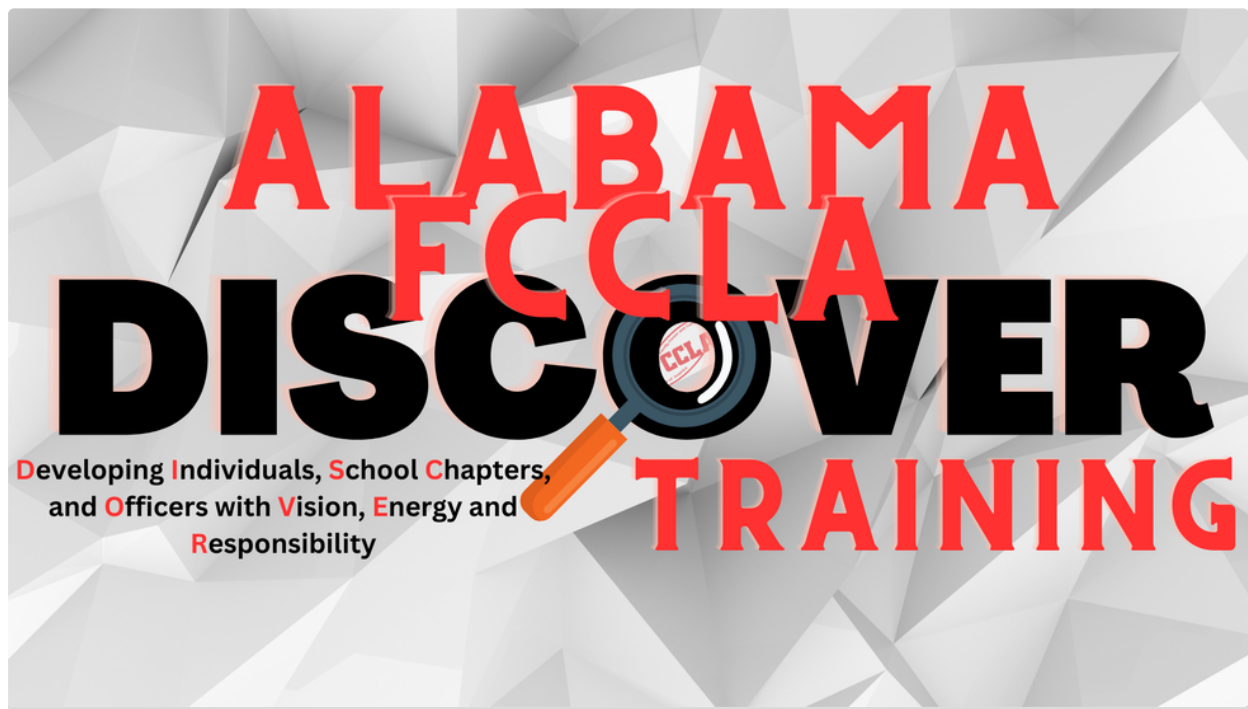
Amethyst Vineyard, Sylacauga to Chilton County High School  
Carol Chambers, Orange Beach High School to Daphne High School  
Mimi Leverett, Foley High School to Orange Beach High School  
Shelly Cantrell, Summerdale Middle School to Pinson Valley  
April Shrader, Dekalb County Schools to Sparkman High School

If you know of any other new teachers, please let Theresa know at [theresa.long@alsde.edu](mailto:theresa.long@alsde.edu)

## *FCS Games by Kim Smith*

Kim Smith has done it again! We challenged her to create games based on Alabama COS standards for teachers. And she came through. Free, downloadable games are available to all Alabama FCS teachers. Please use the [link](#) to access these great resources.





## *DISCOVER North Recap*

DISCOVER is a one-day FCCLA bootcamp for middle school and new chapters to start their FCCLA journey. DISCOVER North was held, Thursday, August 31 at Athens State University. State Officers conducted sessions to help members DISCOVER what FCCLA is all about (competitive events, running for chapter or state office, community service and membership recruitment).

DISCOVER South was scheduled for September 5 at Troy University at Dothan will be rescheduled for later this fall.







## Gingerbread Jam

The Second Annual Gingerbread Jam event will be held on December 9, 2023, at the Vestavia Hills Civic Center in Vestavia, Alabama. The Megan Montgomery Foundation and the Gingerbread Jam Committee would like to invite you to consider participating by working with your students to create and then submit your house or houses in the competition. Please see attachment for more details.



Gingerbread Jam introduction letter-ALFCCLA Final.pdf

[Download](#)

187.5 KB



## Home Baking Association September Recipes

From breakfast to whole grains, the September Edition of Home Baking Association's monthly spotlight provides healthy and tasty recipe ideas with the focus on fall treats.

For recipes:

- <https://www.homebaking.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/2023-September-Baking-1.pdf>

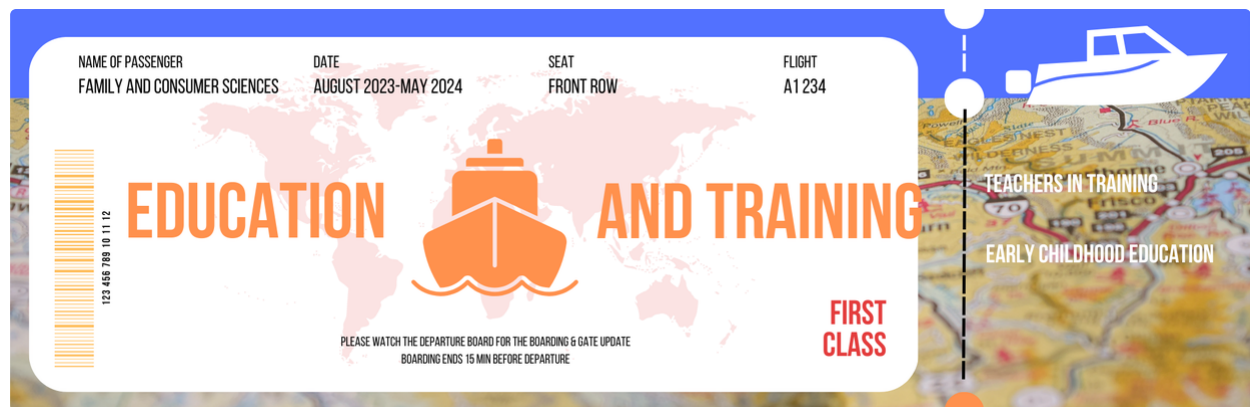
## "Poisoned" documentary on Netflix

"The latest thriller to hit Netflix this month isn't some slasher film. Instead, it's a documentary about the very real, very-much-still-deadly consequences of food-borne illnesses and contaminants in the food we eat every day. Released this month, [Poisoned: The Dirty Truth About Your Food](#) made me cover my eyes with a blanket, but with one eye out because I couldn't look away." BY MACKENZIE FILSON  
PUBLISHED: AUG 8, 2023, on Delish.com.

\*The documentary does have a mature warning, so you should view prior to deciding to show to students.

[Full article](#)

<https://youtu.be/YZcyMgdWmPg>



Google Educator Certification Bootcamp



Learn the ins and outs of giving the Google Educator Certification from expert Valerie Curtis with the Alabama Regional Inservice Center. Register through PowerSchool using the PSPL# provided for each location.

## FTA Grant

FTA Grant Application is now live. Great news....the stipend has been increased to \$1000! Please see the application attached below.

Some dates to save:

Application Deadline, September 19, 2023

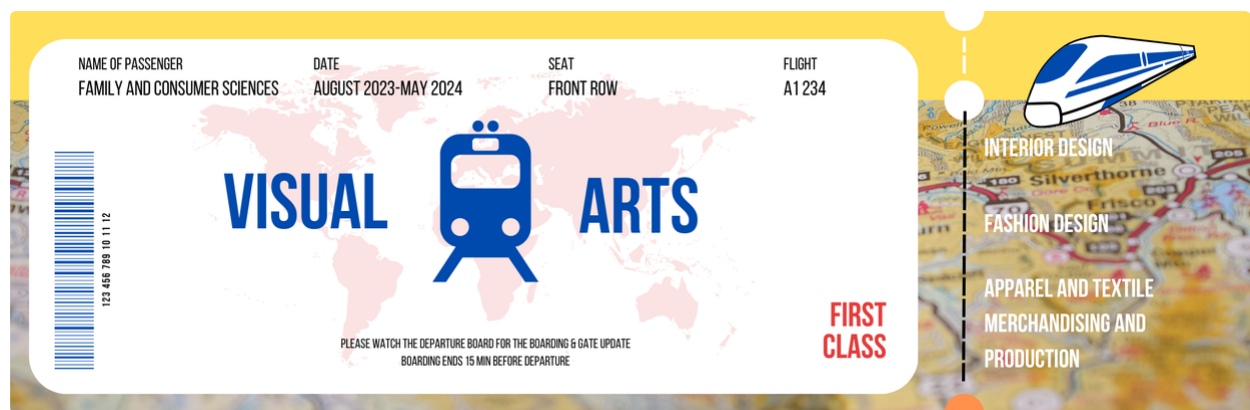
Submit Grant Evidence by May 24, 2024



Future Teachers of Alabama (FTA) Program Director Stipend  
Grant-REVISED.pdf

[Download](#)

519.4 KB



## SHOPLOOK

Have you discovered Shoplook? Great for fashion design and mood boards. Teachers can create challenges for students. Student groups can work on a project together. Free and paid versions.

[The easiest way to find or create the perfect outfit | ShopLook](#)



My first YouTube short 🥰 Loved creating this outfit on Shoplook!



## *Alabama ProStart Updates*

### **ARHA ProStart Educator Fall Workshop**

Save the date for the 2023 ARHA Fall Educator Workshop. We will once again be at Wind Creek Hotel in Atmore. The dates are October 15 - 16. We are currently working on the agenda. If you have a



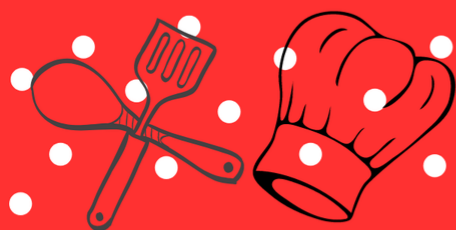
suggestion for a topic, please let us know!  
For more information or to register, [click here](#).

### 2024 Alabama ProStart Competition

The 2024 Alabama ProStart Competition will be held March 3 - 4 at Perdido Beach Resort. Make plans now to enter your teams into the management and/or culinary competitions. More details will be in your inbox very soon.

FEB

SAVE THE DATE



2-3,  
2024

CULINARY ARTS AND  
BAKING AND PASTRY  
STAR EVENTS

WEATHER MAKE UP  
FEB 9-10



### *Affiliation Assistance*

The membership/affiliation portal is open. Here are some tips to help you with uploading student information.

- Below you will find a membership information form containing the information needed to affiliate your members. When having students fill out information, please request them to use an email that will accept communication from nationals. If your system blocks outside emails, suggest they use a personal email instead. Otherwise, they will not receive member updates or access to their portal.
- It typically is easier to upload information from a spreadsheet than to type all the information yourself. Below are two links, one for microsoft forms and one for google forms. **Please be sure to make a copy of the form before sending out so you own it and then will have access to the information.** The information will be downloadable into an excel or csv format. Use the csv. This file can be uploaded directly into the portal without you having to input the information yourself. Please check for duplicates before uploading. If current members are on the spreadsheet, it will duplicate their profile and they will have two member numbers. We don't want that! Once you do the "bulk rollforward" step in the portal, current members will automatically move to the next grade level. You should check on the information sheet for any updated personal information that may need to be changed.

[Microsoft Office form](#)

[Google form](#)

- Also below are the instructions for navigating the portal.

Please feel free to contact Theresa if you need assistance with the portal.



Member Affiliation Information Sheet (2).docx

[Download](#)  
285.8 KB



2023-2024 Step-By-Step Affiliation Instructions.docx

[Download](#)  
211.2 KB

## *Competitive Event Manuals*

The Competitive Events Guide is divided into five different documents. The documents are available to members and advisers through the FCCLA Adviser and Student Portals under the "Resources" tab

- FCCLA Knowledge Matters Virtual Business Challenge Simulation Guidelines
- FCCLA/LifeSmarts Knowledge Bowl Guidelines
- Skill Demonstration Events Guidelines
- Online Challenge Testing (previously with Skill Demonstration Events)
- STAR Events Guidelines

These resources, provided for members and developed with funds from membership dues, are available to advisers and members through the FCCLA Adviser and Student Portals. The Competitive Events Guides will only be available to affiliated chapters and members beginning November 1.

Also provided is a document titled *Major Changes to the 23-24 Guidelines*. A copy of the document is attached below for your convience.





Major Changes to the 23-24 Guidelines.pdf

[Download](#)

244.4 KB



## *FCCLA Alabama National Fair Booths*

**Update: We still have two slots open.** It's almost time for the "10 Best Days of Fall!" The Alabama National Fair in Montgomery, October 6-15, 2023. If your chapter is interested in being 1 of the 6 participating chapters, find specific guidelines and complete the information on the [application](#). **Applications deadline has been extended until Sept 8, 2023.**

## *National Fall Conference*

This year's FCCLA National Fall Conference will be held in Birmingham, Alabama! Mark your calendars for November 10-12. What a great opportunity to try out the Skills Demonstration Events in our own backyard. Registration opens August 1.



## *TEACH CTSO*

TEACH CTSO is your one-stop shop for all things needed to integrate CTSOs into your classroom, collaborate with other CTSO teachers, and develop professionally.

FEATURES:

- Professional development for educators
- Technical assistance for the classroom
- Chapter management tools
- CTE+CTSO community to share best practices
- Work-based learning resources using CTSOs

Annual access and digital subscription is provided complimentary to all CTE+CTSO educators through the Alabama CTE Leadership Council.

[TEACHCTSO | Login Credentials \(campaign-archive.com\)](#)



Teach-CTSO-Alabama-Educators-Flyer-2023.pdf

[Download](#)

211.9 KB

## JLDC 2023 | Hype Video



### *Registration for JLDC is open!*

Join more than 5,000 students, educators, industry leaders, administrators, and counselors for the [Alabama Joint Leadership Development Conference \(JLDC\)](#).

In a world where dynamic leaders are needed, suit up for the challenge of unlocking your true inner Leader. Add your name to the leadership walk of fame as you call "Action!" on your leadership journey. [Registration Guide](#)

Tuesday, October 3: Mobile  
Thursday, October 5: Huntsville  
Friday, October 13: Virtual



### *ALACTE Summer Conference Resources*



[FCS Session Specific Resources](#) have been uploaded into the Alabama FCS Teacher Google Drive folder. Any presenter that would like to have their resources added, please contact [theresa.long@alsde.edu](mailto:theresa.long@alsde.edu) or [kayla.cantley@alsde.edu](mailto:kayla.cantley@alsde.edu).



*Alabama Association  
Teacher of Family and  
Consumer Sciences*



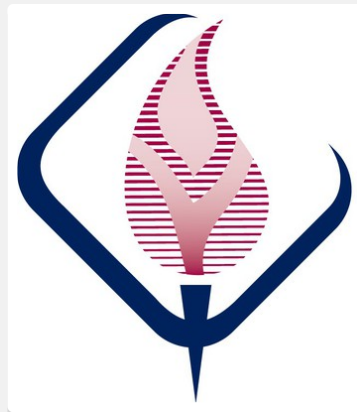
*Kim Mitchell, Section  
President*



*Association of Career  
and Technical  
Education*



*Alabama Association  
of Family and  
Consumer Sciences*



*Brittany Riddle,  
President*

For more information,  
contact Brittany @  
[briddle@wcsclass.com](mailto:briddle@wcsclass.com)



*American Association  
of Family and  
Consumer Sciences*

Just a reminder that [Theresa](#) and [Kayla](#) are available for technical assistance visits to your school or via phone or virtual platforms.








## *Alabama Family and Consumer Sciences and FCCLA*


 Facebook


 @ALAFCCLA

Instagram: @alafccla

 50 North Ripley Street, Montgo...

 fccla@alsde.edu

 334-694-4852

 alsde.edu