

SECTION II. COMPETITIVE RECOGNITION EVENTS (CRE)

A. REVISIONS AND CHANGES

Competitive Recognition Events Guide, 2018

The *CRE Guide* is currently being updated by a committee of teachers/advisors, industry representatives, and CRE state-level assistants. This resource, *Competitive Recognition Events Guide, 2018*, will only be available online beginning October 15, 2018, to chapters on the California FCCLA website. Please refer to Item L in this section of the mailing for changes in specific events. **Please discard all earlier versions of the CRE Guide.**

NOTE: A CRE taskforce committee was convened in September 2015. The committee decided to align a majority of the CRE's to the National FCCLA Students Taking Action with Recognition (STAR) Events. It was also decided to keep six State Events that have been aligned to the STAR Events format which include: Child Development, Culinary Display, Fashion Construction, Interior Design (Junior), Menu Planning and Table Display, and Salad Preparation. Any new changes made to these events will be available online beginning October 15, 2018.

Entry Procedures!!!!

The CRE online Web Entry System (WES) will be in use for CRE entries for the 2018–2019 school year beginning November 15, 2018. **Please discard all earlier versions of CRE entry forms.** Please refer to Item E in this section of the mailing for changes to CRE entry procedures.

B. ELIGIBILITY

1. Region Qualifying Competition

Only active FCCLA members from chapters in good standing with the association are eligible to participate in CRE. An active member is one whose name is listed on the chapter's current year membership roster on file at the FCCLA Financial Services Office.

- Current chapters must affiliate by **November 1, 2018**, to have eligible competitors.
- New chapters and reinstated chapters (schools that were not affiliated the previous school year) must be affiliated before **January 10, 2019**, to have eligible competitors.

2. State Finals

The top seven winners in each event at the Region Qualifying Competition will be eligible to compete in CRE State Finals.

C. NUMBER OF ENTRIES PER CHAPTER

The total number of entries allowed per chapter is based on the number of affiliated members.

Number of Members in Chapter	Maximum Number of Individual and Team Entries in CRE
12	6
13–15	9
16–20	12
Over 21	Unlimited

NOTE: An “entry” means the following in this context: individual events and team events. Each individual student will be counted as ONE entry. Chapter events are excluded in the maximum number of entries.

D. NUMBER OF ENTRIES PER EVENT

The following table indicates the number of entries allowed for each FCCLA chapter per competitive event in the Junior Division (J) grades 6–9, Senior Division (S) grades 10–12, or Occupational Division (O) in which students are currently enrolled in a FCS capstone course or ROP course. The total number of entries, however, cannot exceed the maximum number of entries per FCCLA chapter member quota listed above.

CRE Event	Number of Entries Per Chapter
Chapter Events	One (1) J or S Chapter Entry
Team Events*	Unlimited J, S, or O Division Teams of (1–3)
Individual Events	Unlimited J, S, or O Division Entries

*Exception: Parliamentary Procedure Event is a Chapter Event and can have 4–8 members.

E. CRE ONLINE ENTRY SUBMISSION, FORMS, AND FEES

1. Due Dates

Electronic Entry Forms must be input on the WES no later than 11:59:59 p.m. Pacific Time on the posted deadline date as indicated below. Fees must be submitted to the FCCLA Financial Services Office by due dates designated for chapters that are **Current (Ongoing)** or **New or Reinstated**. Envelopes postmarked later than the specific due date indicated will incur late fees, as addressed in this mailer, and may not be accepted and processed.

(A) Current, New, and Reinstated Chapters – Online Submission and Postmarked by January 10, 2019. Chapters are encouraged to process entries early, as this will ensure that your chapter does not incur unnecessary fees.

SEND COMPLETED FEES TO:

FCCLA Financial Services Office
P.O. Box 6
Galt, CA 95632

2. Procedure for Preparing and Submitting Entries

This year, all entries must be submitted electronically on the online CRE WES. The number of hard copy forms that must be submitted with entry fees is minimal. The following information provides details about the process.

(a) ALL entries and completion of any required forms will all be completed through the special CRE WES website which will be available on November 15, 2018. When the website is ready to accept entries, a link to the entry site will be posted on the FCCLA Advisor Log-In website at www.ca-fccla.org. The entry system detailed directions and all forms will be available at the CRE page on the FCCLA website.

(b) Complete directions for the submittal of electronic entries, required forms, and submission of fees will be provided on the FCCLA website and limited directions are available in this mailer. If you have questions, please call the FCCLA State Office at 916-319-0890.

3. Entry Fees for 2018-2019

The fees will be as follows:

- Chapter/Individual Events - \$10.00
 - Team Events: 1–3 team members - \$10.00 per person on the team
 - Culinary Arts*: 1–3 team members - \$30.00 per person on the team
 - Parliamentary Procedure Event: 4–8 team members - \$10.00 per person
- *The increased fees for this event are attributed to the expenses related to facilities, travel, and logistics related to this particular event.

4. Dates by which deficiencies/problems with CRE must be resolved

- The last day for active/ongoing/new/reinstated chapters to submit CRE entries is January 10, 2019. There will absolutely **NOT** be any late entries accepted after this date.
- The last day for active/ongoing/new/reinstated chapters to resolve CRE entry deficiencies/problems for substitutes and/or new member entries made prior to the January 10, 2019, deadline is **January 15, 2019**.
- Entries submitted that are incomplete, incorrectly prepared, postmarked after published due dates, or do not include sufficient funds to cover entry fees will not be processed until the deficiencies/problems are resolved.

A \$10.00 late fee will be incurred for each competitor and every incomplete, incorrectly prepared, late postmarked entry or insufficient funds to cover original entry fees.

- To avoid the risk of chapter members not being able to compete, chapter advisors should correct any deficiencies/problems as soon as they are notified by the FCCLA Financial Services Office. It is imperative advisors double check their entries immediately upon registration. The deadline is January 15, 2019.
- Any CRE entry, including a chapter, team or individual entry, that is deficient after the applicable deficiency/problems correction date, will incur a late fee and/or may not be allowed to compete.
- Advisors should carefully recheck all entry materials and fees for accuracy before submitting them online and to the FCCLA Financial Services Office to avoid any possible delay in processing.

F. ALTERNATES

Chapters may exercise the option of having an alternate team member in team events only. A student entered as an alternate cannot be entered as a competitor in any other event. Only the alternate member listed on the entry form may be utilized at any level of competition. No new alternates can be added nor can substitutions for the alternates be made. Once an alternate team member participates, the team has the option of having the originally registered competitor return or the alternate compete at subsequent levels of competition. Participants may enter or serve as an alternate for only one team in any year. An alternate may only be entered one time. This also includes participants in the Parliamentary Procedure Event at State Finals. A \$10.00 alternate entry fee applies and is due no later than January 10, 2019.

G. SUBSTITUTION OF COMPETITORS

- All chapters—current (ongoing), new and reinstated—that affiliate by the established deadline dates may submit substitutes no later than January 10, 2019. A \$10.00 substitution entry fee applies.
- For chapters to submit the names of substitutes, the appropriate substitution entry must be made online in the WES including the \$10.00 substitute entry fee for each competitor no later than January 10, 2019. The substitute may be a member who joined their local chapter after November 1, 2018.
- All electronic entries, forms, and fees must be posted online and/or postmarked no later than January 10, 2019. No **EXCEPTIONS** will be made to this deadline date.

H. ADDITION OF NEW MEMBER COMPETITORS

If new members join their local chapter any time after November 1, 2018, up to January 10, 2019, and want to participate in CRE, advisors may submit the appropriate CRE electronic entry and fee(s) which must be preceded by online affiliation of the new members. The electronic submission and entry fees must be submitted/postmarked no later than **January 10, 2019**.

NOTE: Because of the online affiliation system you will need to allow time between affiliation and CRE entry submission. It may take 24–48 hours for members to show up on your chapter roster, in order to be allowed to sign up the member as a CRE competitor. Be sure to calculate this time in submitting your entries.

I. COMPETITORS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Participants with physical limitations, language deficiencies, or religious requirements who will need special assistance or would not be able to comply with any general or specific rules during competition must notify the state office, in writing, at least three (3) weeks prior to the date of the qualifying region and again prior to the state finals competition. In a letter or email, the CRE participant must indicate the type of assistance that will be needed for competition. Send the letter or email to:

California FCCLA
Family and Consumer Sciences Education
California Department of Education
1430 N Street, Suite 4202
Sacramento, CA 95814
Melissa Webb, FCCLA State Advisor, mwebb@cde.ca.gov

NOTE: If an emergency occurs that would require a waiver after the three (3) week deadline, the advisor to the said participant must notify the State Advisor prior to competition. Once a decision is made regarding the waiver, the Region or State CRE Chairperson will be notified by the FCCLA State Office. Region Chairpersons are instructed to honor requests for waivers only if they are notified by the FCCLA State Office that the competitor is able to compete.

J. DATES AND LOCATIONS FOR COMPETITIONS

1. Region Qualifying Competition

Qualifying Competitions are conducted in each region. The “Calendar of Statewide Activities and Due Dates 2018–2019” which lists the dates and locations for Region Qualifying Competitions is available in this Affiliation Packet and on the FCCLA website at www.ca-fccla.org.

2. State Finals

State Finals Orientation and Competition will be held during the State Leadership Conference in Riverside, California. Please refer to the first State Leadership

Conference mailing to determine when selected event exams will be given and selected event materials will be collected and evaluated.

K. IDENTIFICATION NEEDED FOR COMPETITION – ACTION REQUIRED

1. Region Qualifying Competition

All competitors must bring a signed and completed CRE Student Permission Form and their photo ID or a clean copy (preferably colored) of their photo ID to Region Competition. **If they do not have a signed CRE Student Permission Form and their photo ID, the student will be disqualified.**

2. State Finals

All competitors must bring a signed and completed CRE Student Permission Form and their current photo ID/clean copy (preferably colored) of photo ID, and be wearing their State Leadership Conference Competitor ribbon during the event check-in, and awards check-in. If participants do not have the required documentation, they will be disqualified. Those competitors serving as an Alternate in a team event or competing for the first time at the State Finals, must turn in a SIGNED CRE Student Permission Form during official dress check, otherwise the student will be disqualified. *Please note a change in required documentation at each level of competition this year.

L. CHANGES IN COMPETITIVE RECOGNITION EVENTS FROM THE 2017 GUIDE

Consult the online CRE Guide for all of the changes which can be found on the California FCCLA website beginning October 15, 2018. Particular attention should be made to the STAR and State Events that the CRE Chairperson Taskforce may have made for 2018–19.

M. OFFICIAL DRESS FOR CRE COMPETITION

A description of official dress for CRE is included in the *Competitive Recognition Events Guide, 2018*. Please read this information carefully. In order to promote consistency statewide, an official dress check will be conducted at both levels of competition by the Event Room Consultant. The “Official Dress Checklist” that will be used for competition will be available on October 15, 2018, on the FCCLA Web site at www.ca-fccla.org.

NOTE: Competitors must now wear black dress pants or skirts to not receive a deduction in points.

Only competitors in the Culinary Arts and Culinary Display events may report to event check-in wearing their chef attire at both region qualifying and state finals competition. They must be in the following attire that is either required or permitted for the event (see below). This attire will be checked by the specific Event Room Consultant as required in the specific rules for the event. Competitors in these events will wear chef attire for the awards and recognition program at qualifying competition ONLY. At state finals competition, these competitors will wear “Official Dress” or “Professional Chef Attire” for the awards and recognition program.

CRE Event	Event Attire
Culinary Arts	Chef's coat; chef pants; chef's hat; closed toe leather or leather-like shoes (Industry standard nonslip soles are required for the State Leadership Conference to be allowed to compete.)
Culinary Display	Chef's coat; chef pants; chef's hat; closed toe leather or leather-like shoes

N. REQUIRED CRE TOPICS, CATEGORIES, AND THEMES FOR 2018–19

CRE Topics, Categories, and Themes for 2018–19 will be available on or before October 15, 2018, and will be shared at the Region Fall Meetings. Using a topic, category, theme, or project other than what is provided **will result in a loss of points on the event rubric**. Refer to the *Competitive Recognition Events Guide, 2018* for additional information regarding these and the other CRE events.

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Culinary Arts Team Event (1 to 3 students)	A list of equipment, tools, and recipes will be provided 30 days prior to competition in accordance with the CRE Rules and Guidelines. All recipes for up to 3 food products and food will be provided at the site.
Culinary Display Individual Event	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Appetizers: “Polynesian Luau” B. Breads: “International Flavor” – To include fancy breads, rolls, and whole grains C. Decorated Wedding Cakes: “Nautical Wedding” – Minimum of 3 tier stacked cakes. Competitors must demonstrate by hand the technique of creating a 3D form by using modeling chocolate. Modeling chocolate must be premade. D. Advanced Presentation Cakes: “1960’s Flower Power” E. Tortes: “Linzer Torte” F. Patisserie: “Berry Festival” G. Art Display: “Day at the Beach”
Fashion Construction Jr. Division Individual Event	NEW: Competitors are allowed to select their own pattern for this event. They should make sure the pattern selected meets the competitive event rules and guidelines. \$0.99 patterns can be found at: http://www.sewcoolinschool.com/
Interior Design Jr. Division Individual Event	“College Dorm Room”, 15’x15’
Interior Design Sr. Division Team Event (1 to 3 students)	Interior Design Scenario can be found on the national FCCLA website under STAR Event Resources: http://fcclainc.org/programs/resources.php
Menu Planning & Table Display Jr. Individual Event	“Seasons” Examples: Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer–Lunch

Menu Planning & Table Display Sr. Individual Event	“Family Heritage”– Dinner
Salad Preparation Jr. Division Individual Event	“Something Pickled” No tofu, beef, poultry, pork, fish, seafood, or eggs permitted.
Salad Preparation Sr. Division Individual Event	“California Fresh-Farm to Fork” No tofu, beef, poultry, pork, fish, seafood, or eggs that <u>require refrigeration can be used</u> . Students may use sealed canned or shelf stable vacuum-packed products, including meat, seafood, or poultry. These must be commercially canned/packaged and must not require refrigeration. Students must open their product in front of the Evaluators.

O. 2018–2020 STATE PROJECT GOALS – SEE HANDOUT PROVIDED IN PACKET

P. PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE EVENT (STATE EVENT)

Chapters entering teams in this event must register through the WES along with the appropriate entry fee(s), by the January 10, 2019, deadline. By **March 15, 2019, the advisor must submit team member names and alternates** to the webmaster@ca-fccla.org **prior to registering the chapter for state**. Topics for the Parliamentary Procedure event will be sent to those chapters with entries in this event.

Q. CHAPTER SERVICE PROJECT DISPLAY EVENT AND NATIONAL PROGRAMS IN ACTION (STATE EVENTS)

Entries for Chapter Service Project Display and National Programs in Action must submit WES and payment of required fees for these events by the established deadline. Participating chapters must present a 2 to 3 minute progress report describing their in-depth projects at qualifying CRE competition during a general session. The chapter representatives who present the progress report must wear official FCCLA dress. Chapter representatives are required to obtain the Progress Report Verification Form with the proper signatures from the Region CRE Chairperson at the qualifying CRE competition Awards Presentation. This form must be used in the State Finals competition. **By March 15, 2019, all chapter event entries must submit names to the webmaster@ca-fccla.org prior to registering the chapter for state.**

R. CRE RECOGNITION PROGRAM

1. Recognition and Awards

Competitors receive various types of recognition and awards. Information on awards will be given at the Fall Region Meetings.

- **Region Level**
 - Certificates for all competitors and finalist seal for 1st–7th place
 - Bronze, silver, and gold medals for the top three winners in each event

- **State Level**
 - Certificates with gold, silver, and bronze seals for all competitors
 - 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place trophies, as well as cash awards, scholarships, and other merchandise for all winners

2. Competitor Requirements

Competitors must attend the Recognition Session of their Region Qualifying Competitions, must be full time registrants at the annual State Leadership Conference, and attend the Awards Session at the State Leadership Conference, which will be held Tuesday, April 30, 2019. Competitors must be present in official dress to receive their recognition and/or awards and to avoid disqualification.

3. Guests

Chapter advisors and members should invite parents, administrators, as well as business/industry and community supporters to the CRE Recognition Program at the region and state levels. This is an excellent opportunity to showcase student success and promote the value of FCCLA.

S. NATIONAL STAR EVENTS

State finalists in California CRE events may be eligible to compete at the National STAR (**S**tudents **T**aking **A**ction with **R**ecognition) events. These events will be held at the June 30–July 4, 2019, National Leadership Conference held in Anaheim, California. Following the State Leadership Conference, visit the National FCCLA website STAR Events Manual for specific rules for the corresponding events. Please see the state website for the 2018–2019 National Qualifying FCCLA STAR Event list.

T. STAR EVENTS ELIGIBILITY AND FEES

All first, second, and third place State CRE winners in the events identified for National STAR Events should plan to attend the information session following the close of the 2018 State Leadership Conference on Tuesday, April 30, 2019, in Riverside, CA. If your chapter will have entries in the events that are eligible for national competition, you should start planning now for ways to finance the student(s) participation. The fee for STAR events is \$45.00 and must be paid directly through the national FCCLA advisor portal. A form for chapter participation at the National Leadership Conference will be required during the orientation meeting.

U. NATIONAL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION

For more information about the National Leadership Conference, see the section of this mailing entitled “National Organization Information.”