



# CALIFORNIA FCCLA

## Guidelines for Conduct and Dress

As a representative of California FCCLA attending this special leadership development activity, you have privileges as well as responsibilities. The following guidelines were developed to ensure the California Association can be proud of its representatives and have them reflect a professional image.

### Conduct

- Members should conduct themselves in a manner which is of credit to themselves, their families and schools, as well as California FCCLA. This includes respecting the rights and comfort of others in respect to manners, noise, language, and general conduct.
- Members will follow the directions of adult supervisor and chaperones. They will be respectful and courteous in their speech and behavior.
- No alcoholic beverages, unprescribed drugs, cigarettes/E-cigarettes/spit/smokeless tobacco/vaping or JUULing products in any form shall be in the possession of, or consumed by, members at any time while representing FCCLA or attending FCCLA activities.
- Members, their parents, and their chapters will be responsible for damages they incur while attending FCCLA activities or representing the FCCLA organization.
- Advisors shall be informed by members of their activities and whereabouts at all times.
- When traveling as a representative to the State Leadership Conference and other FCCLA activities, members must be registered at the designated hotel.
- Members will abide by the established curfew for each FCCLA activity. This includes being in the assigned hotel room by curfew.
- Male and female socializing will be allowed in the designated areas as decided by delegates and advisors. Doors shall remain ajar and curtains open while socializing in individual guest rooms where both males and females are present.
- Instances of misconduct will be reported to advisors, parents/guardians, and proper school authorities.

**NOTE:** In the event that a member does not follow these guidelines, the participation of that member in an FCCLA activity may be terminated. The expenses of telephone calls and return travel will be assumed by the member and his/her parents/guardians. If a student knowingly breaks the established rules which results in bodily harm to self or others or damage to facilities, the supervising advisors shall not be liable.

### Dress

Members are expected to be neat in appearance and well-groomed at all times.

#### Dress for FCCLA meetings and activities:

- A. Official FCCLA dress should be worn at all meetings, unless otherwise specified. In addition, officers should be in official dress when traveling to and from the State Executive Council Meeting, as well as the Region Officers Training Conference. This consists of the official FCCLA blazer worn with the following:
- Option 1:
- Solid black skirt
  - White dress shirt with tailored collar and sleeves
  - Nylons: flesh-tone and without pattern
  - Shoes: black, with closed toe and heel
  - Official FCCLA striped ascot (mandatory)

- Option 2:
- Solid black dress slacks
  - White dress shirt with tailored collar and sleeves
  - Official FCCLA striped tie (mandatory)
  - Socks: solid black dress socks (no anklets)
  - Shoes: black dress shoes, may be laced or slip-on style

B. Appropriate accessories for Official Dress:

- Hair accessories that are functional and blend with hair color and with the uniform may be worn.
- Jewelry: simple gold or silver necklace, rings (one per hand), small earrings (one per ear), wrist watches, and/or bracelets are acceptable. Ankle bracelets are not acceptable.

Visible Body Adornments

- Members attending this event shall not have visible tattoos, ear gauges, rings and studs attached by piercing body parts. Band aides may not be used to cover such adornments.

C. Acceptable Official Casual Clothing for FCCLA activities other than General Sessions or meetings where the Official Dress Uniform have been designated:

Black dress pants, black skirts, or long black shorts, official FCCLA T-Shirt, or red, black, white FCCLA polo shirt. Shoes may include tennis shoes or other casual shoes.

D. Inappropriate dress for members at FCCLA activities:

Jean-type denim pants, leggings, short shorts, coveralls, jeans, cut-offs, T-shirts (including those with offensive language), school sweaters, letterman jackets, and halter tops (including midriff tops).

**NOTE:** Members who wear inappropriate clothing will not be allowed to attend sessions or participate in other group activities.

**Guidelines for Travel**

Hotel courtesies and suggestions to ensure a positive image for yourself, FCCLA, and Family and Consumer Sciences:

- Be sure you are properly registered in the hotel.
- Tip the bell person for taking luggage to your room (\$1.00 to \$2.00 per bag is acceptable).
- Conduct yourself in a respectful and courteous manner, as well as show consideration of others.

**Travel Courtesies**

Tipping is the way to say “thanks” for a service. Guidelines for tipping are listed below:

- Meals (other than those served at the conference), room service, taxi service – 15 percent of the total bill before tax or \$1.00 minimum.
- Airport, bus, or train baggage handling (skycaps) – \$1.00 per bag.