

20 Reasons Why You Should Join Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America

1. Joining Family, Career and Community Leaders of America means joining thousands of young men and women who are serious about character development, strengthening families, personal growth and their future.
2. Family, Career and Community Leaders of America provides the opportunity to participate in an active national career and technical student organization.
3. Participation in Family, Career and Community Leaders of America provides the opportunity to advance in a chosen career path.
4. Family, Career and Community Leaders of America offers program involvement in two (2) divisions: Secondary and Alumni and Associates.
5. Family, Career and Community Leaders of America members have the opportunity of meeting people with common interests.
6. Members of Family, Career and Community Leaders of America members have the opportunity to participate in state, cluster, and national conferences.
7. Family, Career and Community Leaders of America members are given an opportunity to participate in many activities designed to teach them how to lead as well as follow.
8. Leadership skills are gained by serving on committees and holding offices on the local, state and national levels.
9. Family, Career and Community Leaders of America promotes a variety of special recognition awards programs for students, advisors, and chapters to develop a better understanding of achievement and recognition.
10. An awareness of community needs develops through service learning and volunteer projects.
11. Community problems and services within the school are addressed by working together with other chapter members and other organizations.
12. Chapter projects and activities provide interaction with community business leaders.
13. Competitive events and participation in certificate programs provide members with practical experience and recognition.
14. Each year local chapters receive chapter mailings from state and national; Cluster and National Leadership Meeting publications; free promotional posters; membership kit; and copies of the national magazine, *Teen Times*.

15. Articles, photos, and activities can be shared through the official national magazine, *Teen Times*.
16. Members elect, and are represented by state and national officers each year.
17. A STAR Event Advisory Team (SEAT) assists the organization by recommending and setting guidelines for competitive events.
18. Following a member's formal education, membership in the Alumni and Associates is encouraged.
19. Scholarships are awarded each year to members by corporate sponsors who support and promote Family, Career and Community Leaders of America.
20. Members gain problem solving, critical and creative thinking, and communication skills through Family, Career and Community Leaders of America's STAR Events Program.