



# Ideas, Ideas, Ideas!

Just getting started with FCCLA? Or, are you just simply looking for something fun to do with members in your chapter? Well, this is the list for you! Below you will find chapter activities, projects and fundraisers that have been carried out and thought of by members across the state. If you have any questions, would like advice or have great ideas to contribute, please feel free to contact Rachel Sossaman, Wisconsin FCCLA Alumni, through email by [rsossaman@wisc.edu](mailto:rsossaman@wisc.edu).

## Member Recruitment

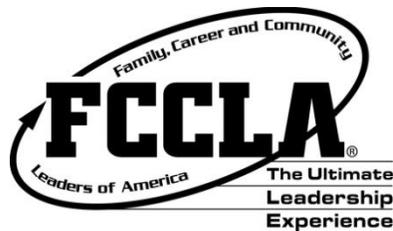
Use these activities to get students involved in FCCLA!

1. **Word of mouth!** Get your officers to talk to incoming freshman, middle school students or their friends. This is way more effective than simply putting in an announcement.
2. Set a deadline! Tell members that if they pay by a certain date, they can be part of a **Pizza Party**.
3. **Floats on Friday** – If members pay by a certain Friday, they get a root beer float.
4. Make a **competition** – Reward the class with the most members by giving them a pizza party.
5. Use **posters** and **flyers**
6. Talk during **Freshman Orientation** nights
7. **Officer presentations** in classes
8. Talk to local businesses to get dues sponsored
9. Host a **school lock-in** and invite everyone!
10. Have **raffles** at meetings with **FCCLA prizes** to keep members coming back.
11. **Ice Cream Social** – Get students to come in to the Foods room and learn what FCCLA is all about!
12. Put together an **FCCLA showcase** and keep it updated!
13. Have your foods classes make **tasty desserts** and invite students to enjoy AND learn about FCCLA.

## Community Service

1. Host a **blood drive**
2. **Raking-a-difference** – Contact elderly community members and ask if they would like help with their fall yard work.
3. **Bingo night at the nursing home** – Have a group of students stop by and play games with nursing home residents.
4. **Nursing home prom** – Host a dance for the elderly and get members to participate!

5. **Toys for Tots Collection** – Host a school-wide collection of toys to be donated to the Toys for Tots program.
6. **Random acts of kindness days** – Spread happiness by asking members to pass out stickers or little notes to people in your school
7. Host an **Easter egg hunt** for elementary school students
8. **Highway clean-up**
9. Organize for members to **tutor** at your local elementary schools.
10. Collect food for the **food pantry**.
11. Put together **Thanksgiving or Christmas dinner gift bags** for community members in need.
12. Host a **Taste of the World** after-school cooking project for elementary school students and teach them about different foods around the world.
13. Pass out **teacher appreciation** gifts. You could use holiday cards and candy canes as gifts during winter and get members to sign and pass out the cards during meetings.
14. **Lunch with Santa** – Ask for sponsorship with community business and host a free day for kids to come and visit with Santa and eat lunch. You can decorate your school's cafeteria for the event!



# Fundraisers

1. **Kiss an animal** contest – Set up jars for different teachers. The one with the most money has to kiss an animal in a school wide assembly in front of everyone!
2. **Younkers Community Day sale** – Takes place twice a year. Chapters sell coupons for \$5 each and receive 100% profit. The person who buys the coupon receives \$10 off their purchase at in Younkers on a certain date.
3. **Otis Spunkmeyer cookies** – <http://www.spunkmeyer.com/Our-Customers-and-Markets/Fundraising/Fundraising/>
4. **Concession stands** – Have things in the your classroom ready to sell to students before or after school.
5. **Cake raffle!** (Valentine's Day cake sale)
6. **Prom dress resale**
7. **Pasty Puffins** – <http://www.pastypuffins.com/fundraising.html>
8. **Cranberry and trail mix fundraiser** – <http://www.cranberryproducts.com/store/pages.php?pageid=3>



# Chapter Activities

1. **Host a dance for Valentine's Day**
2. **Senior luncheon/member luncheon**
3. **FCCLA Week scavenger hunt** – Hide an FCCLA logo somewhere in your high school and have announcements read with clues to where it is. Have prize for any student who finds it!
4. **Trips** – Mall of America, Brewer's game, Badger Hockey game, water park, tubing/skiing
5. **Tour a college or local business**
6. **Halloween fun night** – Have scary scenes set up and host a haunted school!
7. **Movie night**
8. **Host a tournament** – Euchre, badminton, pickle ball, volleyball, etc!
9. **Host a family night** – Have fun games, prizes and food!
10. **Watch a football game**
11. **Create a system of things to pass down** – Have an FCCLA folder put on your school's shared network so you can easily access each other's work and pass things down to future officers. Creating officer binders could also be especially helpful!
12. **Chapter officer retreat** – Have your officers get together to set goals and plan activities for the year by going somewhere fun and bonding. Could be at a cabin, water park, your chapter president's basement, etc!
13. **FCCLA officer envelopes** – Have your officers each decorate a large vanilla envelope with their name, picture and title. Hang all of the envelopes in your teacher's room and make a red flag of construction paper to turn it into a "mailbox." This way you can communicate with one another better and members can put their suggestions in the envelopes!
14. **Chapter point system** – Keep track of how many activities each of your members have participated in. Reward the top point-getters at the end of the year for their hard work!
15. **Chapter Banquet** – Invite parents, school board members, FCCLA alumni and members to come to an end of the year banquet where you can announce new officers, recognize members for their hard work and have a picture slideshow of all the things you accomplished throughout the year. Follow by a raffle and a small meal or snacks.
16. **Chapter website/Facebook page** – Set up a group on Facebook for your members and create events to invite them to monthly meetings. If you are interested in creating a website visit <http://www.webs.com/>. It's free!
17. **Have a state officer come for a chapter visit!** Contact the state adviser, Diane Ryberg, for more information about contacting an officer near you!



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