

*Date:* August 31, 2018  
*To:* School District Administrators and Building Principals  
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*Subject:* 2018-2019 Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA)  
Community Service Announcement

FCCLA is a national career and technical student organization which allows student members to plan, carry out, and evaluate projects and activities that achieve leadership development and success. The “end products” (portfolios, project reports, and recognition) offer relevant and authentic means to assess student learning. FCCLA members have been making a difference in their families, careers, and communities by addressing important personal, work, and societal issues through Family and Consumer Sciences education.

The FCCLA Community Service national program guides students to develop, plan, carry out, and evaluate projects that improve the quality of life in their communities. The community service project included in the 2018-2019 Wisconsin State Officer Council program of work is *Healthy Schools, Healthy People, It's a SNAP!* The “*Healthy Schools, Healthy People*” is a collaborative initiative of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the American Cleaning Institute. The School Network for Absenteeism Prevention (SNAP) is promoting healthy hand habits among students to prevent the spread of infectious disease and reduce related absenteeism. The purpose of this education-based effort is to improve health by making hand cleaning an integral part of the K-12 school day.

Knowing statistics about infection control and the mission of this program can assist school districts in informing students, teachers, nurses, FCCLA members, and administration about the benefits of incorporating the standards-based learning into the curriculum. More information is available at <http://www.itsasnap.org/resources/statistics>.

Please join Wisconsin FCCLA in educating our students, parents, teachers, and community by developing, planning, carrying out, and evaluating the importance of hand washing in your school and community. Resources are available at <https://dpi.wi.gov/fccla/community-service>.

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