



*Youth leaders learn more about themselves, the workplace, and careers so that they can put themselves on the pathway to future success.*

FCCLA's **Career Connection** national peer education program guides students to develop, plan, carry out, and evaluate projects to discover their strengths and then develop and practice career-ready skills. Through their projects, members experience career preparation and improve their critical and creative thinking, interpersonal communication, practical knowledge, and real-world skills.

## Career Connection Units

Career Connection guides students to discover their pathway through four essential units.

**My Skills** — students learn about themselves and practice being productive, promotable employees as they link their personal interests, skills, and goals to careers.

**My Life** — students learn to manage interconnected roles in careers, families, and communities by exploring choices and skills that help balance these roles.

**My Career** — students gain a better understanding of work and learn how to find and land a job.

**My Path** — students identify steps they can take to reach career and lifestyle goals.

## Awards

FCCLA offers national recognition to chapters that complete Career Connection projects. This honor includes cash awards and special recognition at the National Leadership Conference, online, and in Teen Times magazine. Chapters apply online for recognition for their hard work and innovative projects with the National Career Connection Program Award application.

### Career Connection cash awards

High School Award — \$1,000

Middle School Award — \$1,000

Runner-Up Award — \$500

**Deadline:** Applications must be submitted online to FCCLA national headquarters by March 1. The online award system will automatically close March 1, 5:00 p.m. EST.

## Partner

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