

MOUNTAIN SHADOWS ASSOCIATION OF THE COLORADO ASSOCIATION OF FAMILY, CAREER, AND COMMUNITY LEADERS OF AMERICA BYLAWS

ARTICLE I NAME

SECTION 1: DISTRICT NAME

The name of the district organization shall be the Mountain Shadows Association of the Colorado Association of Family, Career and Community Leaders of America, Incorporated (FCCLA). Only the State Association, District and associated chapters shall use the name; those chapters shall be chartered by the State and National Associations. The letters "FCCLA" may be officially used to designate the association, its associated chapters or members thereof.

SECTION 2: CHAPTER NAMES

- A. High school chapters shall be known as (school name) Chapter of Family, Career and Community Leaders (FCCLA); although alternative names may be used at the discretion of local and chapter advisers and chapter members.
- B. Junior high/middle school chapters (sixth, seventh, or eighth) shall be known as (school name) Junior/Middle High School Chapter of Family, Career and Community Leaders (FCCLA); although alternative names may be used at the discretion of local and chapter advisers and chapter members.

ARTICLE II MISSION STATEMENT, PURPOSES, INSIGNIA, AND CREED

SECTION 1: MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the FCCLA is to promote personal growth and leadership development through Family and Consumer Sciences education. Focusing on the multiple roles of family member, wage earner, and community leader, members develop skills for life through character development, creative and critical thinking, interpersonal communications, practical knowledge, and career preparation.

SECTION 2: PURPOSES

Organized instruction relating to the mission is part of the Family and Consumer Sciences education program in schools. The purposes of the organization shall be as follows:

- A. To provide opportunities for personal development and preparation for adult life.
- B. To strengthen the function of the family as a basic unit of society.
- C. To encourage democracy through cooperative action in the home and community.
- D. To encourage individual and group involvement in helping achieve global cooperation and harmony.
- E. To promote greater understanding between youth and adults.
- F. To provide opportunities for making decisions and for assuming responsibilities.
- G. To prepare for the multiple roles of men and women in today's society.
- H. To promote Family and Consumer Sciences and related occupations.

Section 3: Official Emblem

The emblem of the Mountain Shadows Association of Colorado FCCLA shall be the official emblem as designated by the National Association of Family, Career and Community Leaders of America.

Section 4: Official Colors

The official colors for the Mountain Shadows Association of Colorado FCCLA shall be the same as the National Association colors, which are red and white.

Section 5: Official Flower

The official flower for the Mountain Shadows Association of Colorado FCCLA shall be the same as the National Association flower, which is the red rose.

Section 6: Creed

The Creed for the Mountain Shadows Association of Colorado FCCLA shall be the same as the National Association Creed, which is:

We are the Family, Career and Community Leaders of America.
We face the future with warm courage and high hope.

For we have the clear consciousness of seeking
Old and precious values.
For we are the builders of homes.
Homes for America's future.
Homes where living will be the expression of everything
That is good and fair.
Homes where truth and love and security and faith
Will be realities, not dreams.

We are the Family, Career and Community Leaders of America.
We face the future with warm courage and high hope.

ARTICLE III ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE AND MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1: MEMBERSHIP

A. Member Chapters

1. Local FCCLA chapters may be a member of the District and State Association of FCCLA in public or private schools in which the school must have at least one approved Family and Consumer Sciences program through the Colorado Community College System.
2. Newly formed chapters shall be issued an official chapter charter through the State Association upon submission of the chapter charter application and meeting the requirements of said application.
3. If at any time during the current school term, the Family and Consumer Sciences program is terminated, said member chapter may continue to participate in state and district functions for the remainder of school term for which membership dues were paid.

B. Individual Membership.

1. Active: Any student in a middle school, high school, or post-secondary school which has a member chapter is entitled to active membership in FCCLA based on the following:
 - a. Student has made payment of state and national dues.
 - b. Student is now enrolled or has been enrolled in a Family and Consumer Sciences program.
 - c. Individual membership cards may be provided annually and distributed upon receipt of membership form and payment of dues.
 - d. Active high school members shall be eligible to hold office, make motions, vote, and participate in national, state, and district activities, except when currently and officially in violation of the Policies and Disciplinary Procedures for the Mountain Shadows Association of Colorado FCCLA.
 - e. Should a student who has met membership requirements attend a school where the FACS program is suspended or terminated, the student has the option of joining a chapter in their FCCLA district as an active member. If the student is physically closer to a chapter outside their district, they may join the chapter with approval from the State Adviser.
 - f. A student's membership is good for the current school year. However, if a student graduates early, the school district will have the authority to set eligibility policies for participation in local, district, and state events. Upon eligibility determination, any nationally affiliated member may participate in FCCLA Competitive events based upon individual event eligibility criteria or continue with district, state, or national leadership positions.
 - g. A home schooled or charter school student can participate in FCCLA if they have been enrolled in an approved Family and Consumer Sciences program (6-12). Discretion will be that of the current local FCCLA advisor/school.
2. Associate: Any student in a junior high/middle school or senior high school which has a member chapter is eligible to be an associate local member based on the following:
 - a. Associate local member shall not pay dues.
 - b. Student is enrolled or has been enrolled in a Family and Consumer Sciences program.
 - c. Associate local member shall not be eligible to hold office and participate in national, state, and district sponsored activities.
3. Alumni and Associates Membership: Former active members and other adults who share the goals and purposes of FCCLA and its programs and who wish to support the continuing development of FCCLA youth shall be eligible for Alumni and Associates membership. Alumni members shall not vote nor hold office, but may attend meetings of the organization.

SECTION 2: ORGANIZATION.

- A. The Mountain Shadows Association of Colorado FCCLA accepts, in full, the provisions of Bylaws of the Colorado Association and the National Organization of Family, Career and Community Leaders of America, the parent organization.

- B. No part of these Bylaws nor any action of this organization shall be valid if it violates higher FCCLA Bylaws or policies of the Colorado Association and the National Organization of Family, Career and Community Leaders of America.
- C. The administration of the Mountain Shadows Association of Colorado FCCLA shall be vested in the Mountain Shadows Executive Council.

ARTICLE IV
FISCAL

SECTION 1: DUES

- A. National Dues: The amount of national dues for active members shall be determined by the National Executive Council and the National Board of Directors subject to approval of the voting delegates at a national meeting.
- B. State Dues: The amount of state dues for active members shall be determined by the State Executive Council subject to approval of the voting delegates at a State Conference. In addition, the dues will be increased to include the cost of mandatory liability insurance.
- C. Chapter Fee: A state chapter fee may be assessed each year to cover cost of printing and other miscellaneous items not covered by the state dues.
- D. District Fee: A district fee may be assessed each year to cover district costs.

SECTION 2: FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year shall be July 1 through June 30.

SECTION 3: BUDGET

The budget of the Mountain Shadows District Association of Colorado FCCLA shall be developed by the District Consultant(s) with the approval of the Jeffco CTE Director. The budget will be in accordance with the Mountain Shadows Association of Colorado FCCLA Fiscal Rules.

SECTION 4: AUDIT

A financial statement shall be presented to the State Office annually for review in accordance with the Colorado FCCLA Financial Policies.

SECTION 5: DISSOLUTION OR LIQUIDATION OF ASSETS

Upon final dissolution or liquidation of the Mountain Shadows District Association, and after the discharge or satisfaction of all outstanding obligations and liabilities, the remaining assets shall be used by the District Association for any purpose which is consistent with the purposes of the District Association or shall be transferred to the State Association within the meaning of section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended.

ARTICLE V
DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

SECTION 1: MEMBERSHIP

- A. The Mountain Shadows Executive Council shall consist of:

1. District Officers
 2. District Consultant
 3. District Co-consultant
 4. National and State Officer(s)
- B. The Mountain Shadows Executive Council shall determine replacement of an officer following written resignation.
- C. If a vacancy occurs, the Mountain Shadows Executive Council may elect not to fill the vacancy, thereby dividing up the duties among the remaining district officers.
- D. Any state officer candidate who is unsuccessful in a bid for state office may be offered membership in the Mountain Shadows Executive Council.

SECTION 2: MEETINGS

- A. The District FCCLA President shall preside at the business sessions.
- B. A majority of the members of the Mountain Shadows Executive Council shall constitute a quorum.
- C. Decisions shall be adopted by a majority vote.
- D. A current conferencing technology meeting will take place for a special session. A majority of members of the Mountain Shadows Executive Council shall constitute a quorum. The District Consultant and/or District FCCLA President may call a special session.

ARTICLE VI **DISTRICT OFFICERS**

SECTION 1: OFFICERS

The Mountain Shadows District officers shall be:

- A. President
- B. Vice-President
- C. Secretary
- D. Vice President of Finance
- E. Vice President of Community Service
- F. Vice President of Hospitality
- G. Vice President of Public Relations
- H. Vice President of Recognition
- I. Chapter Representatives

SECTION 2: MEETINGS

Attendance is required by all district officers at the following meetings, if held:

1. District Officer Installation
2. Orientation Meeting
3. Fall Planning Meeting(s)
4. Fall Leadership Conference
5. Winter Planning Meeting(s)
6. State Officer/State Interviewing Panel Selection Meeting
7. Winter Conference

SECTION 3: TERM OF OFFICE

The term of office for all district officers shall be from the time of installation until a succeeding officer has been installed.

SELECTION 4: SELECTION OF OFFICERS

A. Qualifications

1. Candidates for a district office must be an affiliated member of a district chapter by the second affiliation date as determined by the State Association.

B. Nomination and Selection.

1. Candidates for district office shall complete the district officer application form and return to the District Consultant on or before the stated deadline. Applications received postmarked after the deadline shall be returned.
2. Candidates will be interviewed by the district officer interviewing panel.

ARTICLE VII DISTRICT CONSULTANT AND CO-CONSULTANT

SECTION 1: SELECTION

The District Consultant shall be selected by and from the district FCCLA advisers or other qualified FACS professional. Each FCCLA district shall have only one voting District Consultant who shall serve on the State Executive Council.

SECTION 2: TERM OF OFFICE

- A. The District Consultant shall serve a two-year term, one year as co-consultant and second year as consultant.
- B. The District Consultant shall assist the new consultant in an advisory capacity for an additional year as needed.
- C. A District Consultant may serve only two consecutive terms.

SECTION 3: DUTIES

The District Consultant shall:

- A. Serve as a liaison between the State Executive Council, the district organization, and member chapters within their district.
- B. Cooperate with the District Co-consultant and the District Executive Council in planning and managing meetings and activities at the district level.
- C. Assume responsibilities for State Leadership Conference.
- D. Assume responsibilities for State Leadership Conference for District Officers.
- E. Utilize the District Consultant Handbook.
- F. Deliver District Consultant Handbook and resource materials to successor.
- G. Attend the following meetings:

1. Summer State Executive Council meeting with vote
2. Fall State Executive Council meeting with vote
3. State Leadership Conferences
4. All district meetings as stated in the bylaws

ARTICLE VIII District Meetings

SECTION 1: MEETINGS

District meetings for all chapters are as follows: District Officer Installation, Fall Leadership Conference, State Officer/State Interviewing Panel Selection Meeting, and Winter Conference.

SECTION 2: VOTING DELEGATES

- A. Voting delegates. Each chapter is entitled to one voting delegate at scheduled district business meetings.
- B. Two-thirds of the voting delegates in attendance at a district meeting and three members of the District Officer Team shall constitute a quorum at scheduled business meetings.

ARTICLE IX POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Policies and Procedures shall be maintained and updated as needed. The Mountain Shadows Executive Council will approve policies in the manual. Procedures may be developed or revised by the District Consultant.

ARTICLE IX PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, 11th Edition, shall govern the business of the Mountain Shadows Association of Colorado FCCLA in all cases in which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these Bylaws, the National Bylaws, or with the laws of the State of Colorado.

ARTICLE X AMENDMENTS

Section 1. These Bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote at the Mountain Shadows District Conference.

Section 2. Amendments to be considered shall be distributed to all member chapters at least 30 days prior to the scheduled business meeting.

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