

Mater Lakes Academy
Family, Community, and Career Leaders of America (FCCLA) Constitution

ARTICLE I: *Family, Community, and Career Leaders of America (FCCLA)*

Section 1.

Our Mission:

To promote personal growth and leadership development through family and consumer sciences and education. Focusing on the multiple roles of a family member, wage earner, and community leader, members develop skills for life through character development; creative and critical thinking; interpersonal communications; practical knowledge; and vocational preparation.

The Creed:

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 II: *Objectives and Activities*

Section 1. The objectives of this organization shall be

- A.) Community Service
- B.) Learning about leadership
- C.) Ability to work as a team member

Section 2. The activities of this organization shall be in accord with its objectives.

ARTICLE III: *Membership*

Section 1. Membership shall be limited to those students in Early Childhood Education

Section 2. Membership shall include only those students specified in Section 1 who hold a GPA of 2.5 for the school semester immediately before enrollment in the club.

Section 3. Membership shall be equally apportioned from the grades indicated in Section 1.

Section 4. Members will be held accountable for their absences; upon removal of the club, they will also not be entitled to a refund of shirts or membership fees.

(The sections for Article III will vary according to the particular circumstances of each club)

Section 5. Members who remain in the club for two or more years and withhold a good standing will be eligible to receive a cord for graduation.

ARTICLE IV: *Officers*

Section 1. Officer positions for this organization shall include

A. President: Matthew Labiste

B. Vice President: Elsa Bernal

C. Treasurer: Sharline Rossman

D. Secretary: Aaron Morales

E. Historian: Amanda Gonzalez

F. Fundraising Chair: Leslie Santana

Section 2. Each officer shall be a member in good standing.

ARTICLE V: *Election of Officers*

Section 1. Election of new officers shall be conducted at a meeting during the month of May.

Section 2. All elections shall be held by secret ballot.

Section 3. A simple majority vote will constitute an election to office.

If an officer neglects or is unable to perform these duties, they will be removed from office by a majority vote of the advisor and remaining officers.

ARTICLE VI: *Meetings*

Section 1. The club shall hold regular weekly or monthly meetings at such time and place as shall be determined by the club with the approval of the school administration.

A. **All school rules apply to members.**

B. All members are expected to follow our attendance policy.

Attendance Policy:

To remain in good standing, members are expected to attend the meetings pre-scheduled by the club's administration on every first Tuesday of the month.

- A maximum of 2 absences will be permitted. Unless there are extenuating circumstances.

C. Each student is to be held responsible for their actions.

ARTICLE VII: *Removal Proceedings*

Section 1. Proceedings for the removal of any officer or representative for failure to attend meetings, failure to represent his group properly and fairly, failure to carry out duties, or for any other actions which are detrimental to the welfare of the school, can be initiated by the Advisor and the officers.

IF YOU HAVE THREE OR MORE UNEXCUSED ABSENCES, YOU WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CLUB.

ARTICLE VIII: *Amendments*

Section 1. Amendments to this constitution shall be adopted by two-thirds vote of the members present at a regular membership meeting held as the next immediate meeting after one at which the proposed amendment was published either by being read or by its distribution in writing.

Signature of Member:
