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Lauren Plagenz,

President

SEC SPOTLIGHT

Meet Lauren Plagenz, your State President! Lauren is a junior at Fergus High School, where she has been a member of FCCLA for three years. Lauren's plans after high school include attending Carroll College to pursue her dream of becoming a pediatric oncologist.

Hey, Lauren, should I join FCCLA?

If you are unsure, DO IT!! FCCLA is an amazing opportunity to build your confidence, work on your public speaking skills, travel, and meet new people. When I joined FCCLA my freshman year, I had no idea that I would one day be Montana FCCLA State President. I joined thinking that it would be another club to fill my resume, but I soon fell in love with the family I had built. Everyone has a place in FCCLA either competing, attending leadership seminars and conferences, becoming an officer, or simply just being a member. FCCLA is so accepting to everyone for exactly who they are, and I would encourage everyone to join!!

Tell us about your STAR Events experiences...

I competed at SLC last year, for the very first time and placed first in my STAR project, leadership. I then attended NLC in San Diego and placed 6th at the national level as a first-time competitor. After spending months working on my project, it was super rewarding to see that my hard work and countless hours spent in Ms. Vincent's room had paid off.



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LAUREN'S ADVISER: MS. VINCENT



What is most awesome about your chapter adviser?



Ms. Vincent is the most accepting and loving person I know. Whether it's calming my nerves before competing at SLC and NLC, fulfilling my snacking needs, or just being someone to talk to, she has become someone that I have been able to trust in just a short amount of time. During her two years at Fergus, she has helped me so much in my FCCLA journey. She has taught me how to be an incREDible chapter officer, and encouraged me to run for district and state office when I didn't even know that was a possibility. I would not be in the position that I am without her. ~Lauren

UPCOMING REMINDERS

- June 1: FCCLA Showcase Application Deadline
- June 1: NLC Say Yes to FCS Signing Ceremony Application Deadline
- June 15: NLC STAR Events Orientation Form Submission Deadline

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