

MONTANA FCCLA

September, 2026

New

Remember to Register for Fall Leadership Rally!

Montana FCCLA's Fall Rally is back September 27-28 at the Billings Hotel & Convention Center!

Advisers may register three chapter leaders, three State Outreach Project leaders, and three new members, in addition to any District Officers.

Facilitating our State Outreach Project Career Connection track will be Lindsey Cobble, of FCCLA's Leadership Training Team. Brooklynn Gross is back to lead our New Leader training, and our keynote speaker Rhett Laubach will share his leadership wisdom with our chapter and district officers in their training.

Attendees will receive a registration gift, as well as training in their designated area. **Registration is now open through September 13.** Find more details on the [Montana FCCLA website!](https://montana.fccla.org)



FCCLA MONTANA **CAREER CONNECTION** **2026 FALL LEADERSHIP RALLY**
TRAIN YOUR LEADERS. LAUNCH YOUR CHAPTER. BUILD YOUR PROGRAM OF WORK.

SEPTEMBER 27-28, 2026
BILLINGS HOTEL & CONVENTION CENTER
WHERE LEADERS ARE MADE

KEYNOTE SPEAKER RHETT LAUBACH
Inspiring leaders to grow, connect, and take action.
Learn more about Rhett at yourtextapeakers.com

WHO CAN ATTEND?

- Three Chapter Leader attendees
- Three Chapter Officer attendees
- Three State Outreach Project training attendees
- Additionally, all District and State Officers, and Chapter Advisers

REGISTRATION
Regular registration fees:
Conference materials, dinner Sunday, lunch Monday, and an attendee gift!

\$75 EARLY REGISTRATION
Reserve places, add names between May 27-September 1

\$100 REGULAR REGISTRATION
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KEY DATES

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PRE-CONFERENCE SPECIAL EVENT!
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Participation Options

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Adviser professional development sessions focus on chapter management, Montana FCCLA programming, and a deep dive into integrating Career Connection into FCCLA coursework, as well as networking and mentorship opportunities. Advisers in their first three years of advising are encouraged to arrive early for their Adviser Training, starting at 10:30 on September 27.

FALL LEADERSHIP RALLY IS HOSTED BY YOUR 2026-27 STATE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

FCCLA MONTANA STATE ASSOCIATION

SECURE YOUR CHAPTER'S SPOT TODAY! REGISTER ONLINE AT [MTFCCLA.ORG](https://mtfccla.org)

Keynote Speaker:
Rhett Laubach

State Outreach Project Track:
Lindsey Cobble, LTT

New Leader Track:
Brooklynn Gross, LTT Trainer

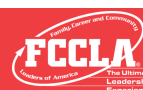


Spotlight On Service

FCCLA is all about service, so remember to submit service hours! Use this [Google Form](#) every time you and your chapter has hours to submit, then chapter advisers receive a quarterly email with the statistics. Be sure to submit your service hours regularly to receive recognition for your efforts!



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Spotlight on Malta FCCLA

Service is what makes Malta FCCLA special. Our chapter was concerned about loneliness at our local retirement home, so we began monthly visits to build meaningful connections. Whether planting flowers, playing games, or simply chatting, we strive to make every resident feel valued while showing that genuine service is about creating lasting relationships.

~Averee Matthews
Vice-President of Outreach



Welcome to our Newly Affiliated Chapters!

Bridger Forsyth Jefferson Malta Manhattan Wibaux

T Shirt and Bulletin Board Competitions Are Now Open!

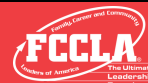
To kick off the new year, Montana FCCLA is hosting a variety of contests for chapters as leaders are made in the 2026-27 year! The entry deadline for the Bulletin Board is September 14, with the T-Shirt design due by January 1.

Bulletin Board Contest--create a bulletin board in your school, following the competition guidelines, then send in a photo for voting on social media.

SLC T-Shirt Design--You could see YOUR shirt design on the next Montana FCCLA SLC shirt! The top five designs will be featured on social media for voting.



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Harvest of the Month Meal Planning Challenge!

Looking for a fun, ready-to-use lesson that connects nutrition, seasonal Montana foods, and meal planning? Montana Team Nutrition and Montana FCCLA have developed a **Harvest of the Month Meal Planning Challenge** for grades 7–12. This engaging lesson can be completed in two class periods and provides students with an opportunity to learn about nutrition requirements, healthy foods for healthy lifestyles, menu planning, and seasonal Montana foods. Students can also submit their meal plan to the challenge for a chance to win cash prizes—up to \$450!

- Students may also use their submission as an FCCLA STAR project.
- The lesson should be taught this school year, with student submissions due March 1, 2027.

If interested in participating, please scan the QR code on the flyer included with this newsletter to access the lesson plan and register for the challenge.



State Outreach Project



The career Montana FCCLA understands how important it is to choose careers wisely, which means investing in career exploration and preparation. After all, one's career choice impacts so many areas of their lifestyle and their future!

The Montana FCCLA State Outreach Project for 2026-27 is Career Connection, which means your chapters have so many opportunities to encourage career exploration and preparation in your local communities.

Montana FCCLA chapters are eligible to receive a copy of the FCCLA National Program Career Connection, full of engaging activities to help chapters as they work to peer educate others about the importance of career preparation for a stronger future. Chapters are also encouraged to apply for **mini-grants of up to \$200** to support community outreach projects designed to impact career exploration and preparation in local communities. New for 2026--check out the **State Outreach Project suggestions and guidelines for implementation** to help your chapter get off to a strong start, and don't forget the recognition opportunities for individual members who complete **Career Connection Bingo**! Be sure to complete your State Outreach Project report by March 1 so that your chapter can showcase their Career Connection efforts and earn recognition. Full details about all these opportunities can be found on the [Montana FCCLA website](#).

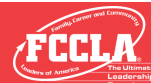
Vision Zero



Traffic safety is an issue that impacts everyone. Montana FCCLA and the Montana Department of Transportation have been partnering for years in an effort to include members in local traffic safety efforts. Our partnership continues into the 2026-27 year, with Vision Zero grants, awards, and presentations. Look for the Vision Zero workshops at your District Meetings, where chapters can learn the basics about implementing a successful chapter project! Chapter leaders will also learn more about this incredible opportunity at the Fall Leadership Rally. Watch for the Vision Zero Toolkit for Chapters coming soon! Develop plans now for your chapter's traffic safety outreach efforts. Learn more about all the opportunities as well as review past projects for inspiration at our [website](#). Funding for projects is available, with a priority deadline of November 16 and a final deadline of December 7. After completing your project, be sure to submit the final report by March 1 to be eligible for state-level awards.



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Spotlight on Jefferson FCCLA!



District 11 has selected to highlight the Jefferson High School chapter. They are and have been doing great things. They've taken at least 3 members to Nationals in STAR events for the last 10 years, and have two National STAR event championships. Some sweet stats. They also host a Color Run every year to promote families getting outside and exercising. To add on to that, they are also working with MDT to help pass a primary seat belt safety law. Almost all of the projects that Mrs. Parsons' students create enrich the community, whether that's in service or education. Keep it up Jefferson!

~Wyatt Williams, Vice-President of Competitive Events



ProStart's Certificate of Achievement

Have any of your students been working summer jobs? Not sure? Ask them! Once students start returning to school, ask them about their summer and see if that includes working a summer job - specifically in the hospitality industry. If they have, they may be well on their way to earning a Certificate of Achievement (COA)! Students who work in the hospitality industry, help with catering events, work concessions at school, and many other related activities are unknowingly gaining invaluable skills that could be checked off a list to help them earn this COA. Some of the traits needed include: proper handwashing, showing up to work on time, measuring ingredients accurately, counting change back correctly, and many other things. While there are some specific technical and culinary skills on the list, it is not as intimidating and advanced as you might think. Earning this can set students apart from the competition in the job market for higher wages or jobs that are past entry-level. We as Montana ProStart will also recognize the efforts of these students at our State Leadership Conference.

Please reach out to me at jordan@mtfccla.org for more information if you think you might have students who meet some of these requirements.

Competencies for the COA

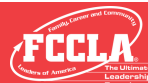
Considering completing your Certificate of Achievement (COA) but feeling overwhelmed by the number of competencies you have to demonstrate? I bet you already have quite a few of them down! Between your culinary program at school and the job you have, I'm sure you have learned many of these required skills. Some of the traits needed include: proper handwashing, showing up to work on time, measuring ingredients accurately, can count change back correctly, and many other things. While there are some specific technical and culinary skills on the list, it is not as intimidating and advanced as you might think.

*Remember, hours working at the concession stand, catering, and at your job can all count towards your hours!

This IS an achievable certificate to earn, you've got this! It will benefit you in many ways if hospitality/culinary are in your future plans!

Talk with your advisor or reach out to me at jordan@mtfccla.org for more information.

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Back to School with ProStart



Hi everyone! Thought it was time for a quick reintroduction. My name is Jordan Collins and I am the Montana ProStart State Coordinator, which basically means I work on registering new and returning programs, connect you with our National ProStart resources, help you get textbooks and curriculum, organize the State ProStart Invitational, coordinate trainings for you and students, and do a lot of other paperwork and stuff behind the scenes (with a lot of help from Tracey, of course!). I spent seven years in the FCS classroom and then accepted this role, while also working at Montana State University teaching in the Education and University Studies department - plus a few other things and trying to keep up with two toddlers! Just like all of you, I wear many hats - but this is one of my favorite, because it keeps me connected to FCS educators and students! There are so many moving parts to this role and Tracey and I are excited to continue the positive momentum the ProStart program has had over the past few years. With that being said, please see the "year at a glance" flyer we are sharing to get a snapshot of what's coming this next year. As always, reach out if there are ways I can support you jordan@mtfccla.org

Data collection for the 2026 – 2027 school year officially launched on August 12 and is open through October 14. If I can help with access to the recording of the training webinar or individualized support, please don't hesitate to reach out at jordan@mtfccla.org. In the coming weeks, you'll receive an email from prostartdatabase@nraef.org with a link to the annual ProStart survey. It's a 26-question survey asking about your program. These answers are used by the National Restaurant Association to evaluate and support ProStart nationwide. **Completing this survey is required to remain an active ProStart program and stay on our contact lists.** If you run into any issues with it, reach out and I'll help you get it sorted!

WHAT EXACTLY DO CONFIRMED PROSTART PROGRAMS RECEIVE?



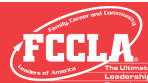
It's preparation for what comes next.

ProStart Grant Opportunities

Scholarship and Grant information!

The Rachael Ray ProStart Grow Grant (\$5,000 for ProStart schools or hopeful new programs) is open now until September 24th! And the ProStart Program Support Grant and Restaurant Ready Grant is open through September 21st! Additionally, there is the ProStart JumpStart Grant which provides ProStart students with an opportunity to attend The National Restaurant Association Show, and this window is from October 12-November 13. Consider applying for one or all of them! Check back for more scholarship information in January for students.

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Chapter Affiliation and Instructional Support 2026-27

Montana chapters can choose from four affiliation options, including three instructional support packages that may qualify for Perkins funding to reduce fundraising and participation cost barriers for students and families

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TRADITIONAL AFFILIATION

Each student in grades 6-12 who engages with or benefits from FCCLA programming should be affiliated. Affiliation dues are paid from chapter fundraising or an individual fee. Fees include:

- \$65 flat-rate chapter fee (directly supports State Officer Programming)
- \$18 per member (\$9 to MT FCCLA + \$9 to National FCCLA with a minimum of 12 members)

SUPPORTING TEACHERS, STRENGTHENING CHAPTERS: PACKAGE OPTIONS

Instructional support packages #2-4 provide valuable benefits for both teachers and students, including:

- Access to instructional resources **valued at more than \$500**
 - **Seven National FCCLA Programs**, each featuring 70+ ready-to-use lesson plans that integrate FCCLA into everyday classroom instruction.
 - **Knowledge Hub and Testing Readiness** resources, including Competitive Event and National Program overview videos.
- Flat-rate payment eligible for **Perkins funding**, helping reduce participation barriers and promote equitable student access.
 - Fee includes National FCCLA Chapter Adviser affiliation, chapter fee, and state and national student membership dues.

2

MIDDLE LEVEL INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT PACKAGE

- Package includes 27+members grade 9 or younger
- Requires a separate affiliation from a high school chapter
- Email Tracey for support when setting up multiple chapters

\$450 TOTAL

3

TOP 25 INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT PACKAGE

Includes membership for up to 25 students; additional students are \$18 each.

\$640 TOTAL

4

UNLIMITED INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT PACKAGE

Membership for 45 or more members!

\$1245 TOTAL

HOW CHAPTER GROWTH BENEFITS YOU

- **Increase Your Funding:** Receive \$400 in Montana CTE funding plus a per-member allocation. Increasing membership this year boosts your 2027-28 funding.
- **Strengthen Montana FCCLA:** Higher statewide membership increases state funding, expanding resources for chapter advisers and student leadership opportunities.



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Count on the Montana FCCLA Fall Leadership Rally to offer training for your Chapter and District Officers, New Leaders, State Outreach Project Leaders and professional development for advisers.

The full conference agenda will be available in late May. Expect the conference to begin at 2PM on Sunday, September 27 and conclude by 2:30 on Monday, September 28.



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**STUDENT PRIZES
UP TO \$450**

HARVEST OF THE MONTH MEAL PLANNING CHALLENGE

Hosted by Montana Team Nutrition

- Seeking 7-12 grade teachers interested in implementing a fun grab and go menu planning lesson! See QR code for the lesson plan and registration.
- Students will learn about seasonal MT foods and complete the meal planning challenge in SY 2026-2027. Submissions due March 1st. Awards to be announced April 2027.
- Students may use this as a FCCLA project.
- A panel of school nutrition and farm to school professionals will score the entries based on the rubric in the lesson plan.
- Three students will win up to \$450, with prizes for first place, (\$450), second place (\$300) and third place (\$150), awarded in winter 2026.

**SCAN CODE FOR
LESSON PLAN**



montana.edu/teamnutrition/

CONTACT:
HALEY.SCOTT1@MONTANA.EDU
406-994-5641



MONTANA
STATE UNIVERSITY





Montana ProStart/FCCLA Culinary Arts 2026 – 2027 CALENDAR OF EVENTS



Welcome to another exciting year of Montana ProStart/FCCLA Culinary Arts!
Mark your calendars for our upcoming webinars and events designed to support excellence in culinary arts and sustainable restaurant management.



FALL 2026

- SEP 17** **Montana ProStart Webinar:**
Promoting your ProStart Program;
Educator Panel Discussion
- SEP 27-28** **Montana FCCLA Fall Rally :** Look for us in Billings!
- OCT 8** **Montana ProStart Webinar:**
Clearing Up the Costing Confusion
- OCT 15** **Application Deadline:**
ProStart Program Grants close today.
- OCT 15-16** **MACTE Conference:**
Look for us in Fairmont Hot Springs!
- NOV 2** **Culinary Camp :** Scan the QR code for full details; register by October 14 for best rates
- NOV 12** **Montana ProStart Webinar:**
Building Your Gold Star Program;
Educator Panel Discussion featuring the
2026 Montana ProStart Gold Star Programs
- DEC 10** **Montana ProStart Webinar:**
MPSP Rules Overview



WINTER & SPRING 2027

- JAN 13** **Montana ProStart Webinar:**
Competition tips from a Culinary Judge
- JAN 20** **Montana ProStart Webinar:**
Competition tips from a Management Judge
- FEB 15** Montana ProStart Invitational registration deadline;
Star Program Application, ProStart Ultimate
Leader nomination, ProStart Leadership and
Service Scholarship, ProStart Educators of
Excellence nomination deadline
- MAR 1** **Montana ProStart Invitational Documents Due**
submission deadline for all competition
documents and Work Based Hours Log
- MAR 18** **Montana ProStart Invitational –**
Good luck to all competitors in Bozeman!
- MAR 18-19** **Montana FCCLA Conference –**
Catch us in Bozeman!
- APR 7-9** **MAFCS –** Look for us in Belgrade!
- APR 23-25** **NPSI –** We are joining the national stage
in Baltimore for NPSI!



Get Involved & Stay Connected!

Looking for more growth? Check out the
National ProStart Professional Development
opportunities to take your educator skills
or program to the next level!



RECOGNITION OPPORTUNITIES



PROSTART STAR PROGRAM AWARD

The Montana ProStart Star Program Award recognizes confirmed ProStart schools that develop and implement high-quality culinary arts programs.

Categories include:

- Student Engagement
- Work-based learning
- Industry Partnerships
- Industry-recognized credentials
- State and National Activities
- Promotion/public relations
- Teacher Engagement

Award levels:

Annually, programs may apply to be recognized at the gold, silver, and bronze levels. The level of recognition is determined by the number of activities and type of activities completed by the program.



GOLD STAR PROGRAM
40 or more points



SILVER STAR PROGRAM
30–39 points



BRONZE STAR PROGRAM
20–29 points

Award:

Programs earning a gold, silver, or bronze level distinction will receive:

- ☒ Plaque to hang in your school
- ☒ Recognition at the Montana ProStart Recognition Session, held in conjunction with the Montana FCCLA State Leadership Conference
- ☒ Letter sent to school administrator and school board members



THE PROSTART ULTIMATE LEADER

"The ProStart Ultimate Leader" is someone who mobilizes others to want to excel within the ProStart classroom. They exhibit exceptional culinary and/or management skills and exemplary leadership by:

- Modeling the way;
- Inspiring a shared vision;
- Challenging the process;
- Enabling others to act; and
- Encouraging the heart.

They make a difference in their school, and as a result of their leadership, the Montana ProStart program is stronger.



PROSTART LEADERSHIP IN SERVICE SCHOLARSHIP

The ProStart Leadership in Service Scholarship recognizes students from a Montana-certified ProStart program who demonstrates exemplary leadership in the ProStart program.



PROSTART EDUCATOR OF EXCELLENCE

The ProStart Educator of Excellence Award is awarded to an outstanding Montana ProStart teacher who has made a significant contribution to the Montana ProStart program, their school and community. A candidate may be self-nominated, nominated by a colleague, or nominated by a member of their administration. Previous winners are eligible to apply.

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SCIENCES**
Creating Healthy & Sustainable Families



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ProStart**
National Restaurant Association
Educational Foundation

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We use this
Zoom link for
all webinars



Scan the QR code to visit our website and learn more about Montana ProStart participation, events, and recognition.



Reach out with questions:

Jordan Collins, ProStart Coordinator
jordan@mtfccla.org
Tracey Eatherton, ProStart/FCCLA State Director
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2026-2027 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Opportunities with Montana FCCLA & ProStart

A full year of learning, networking, and inspiration for Family and Consumer Sciences educators



IN-PERSON OPPORTUNITIES



Fall Leadership Rally
Sept. 27-28 | Billings



MACTE Conference
Oct. 15-16 | Fairmont Springs



Culinary Camp
Nov. 2 | Billings



State Leadership Conference
Mar. 18-19 | Bozeman



MAFCS Conference
Apr. 7-9 | Belgrade



NEW ADVISER WEBINARS

Advisers in years 1-3 of advising are encouraged to join us to build their network and learn about foundational advising of FCCLA Chapters.

All sessions begin at 4:30 PM and will be recorded.

Aug. 25 • Sept. 1 • Sept. 8



ADVISER COMMUNITIES

All advisers are encouraged to join us for these quick, monthly sessions designed to share ideas and strategies and strengthen our Montana FCCLA adviser community. Participation stipends are available; sessions are offered live only. The schedule will be developed based on registered participant availability; use the QR code to register.



INSIDE THE RED JACKET: THE MONTANA FCCLA PODCAST

Advisers and members share successes from their chapters in these quick, pre-recorded podcasts. Visit our library for the entire collection. Have an idea to share? Email Tracey at director@mtfccla.org to get your podcast recording scheduled!



Register

Scan this code or use [this link](#) to register for:

- Adviser Communities
- New Adviser Webinars
- Email reminders



Join All Sessions

Scan this QR code or use [this link](#) to join all live webinars.



PROSTART WEBINAR SERIES

Open to all Montana FCS teachers teaching a culinary pathway, these sessions feature tips from experienced educators as well as speakers from industry. All sessions begin at 4:30 and will be recorded.

September 16	Promoting Your Program
October 7	Clearing Up the Costing Confusion
November 18	Building Your Gold Star Program
December 9	Competition Rules Overview
January 13	Competition Tips from a Culinary Judge
January 20	Competition Tips from a Management Judge



POWER HOUR

Take a closer look at specific FCCLA Adviser topics with the monthly Power Hour. In one hour (or often less) learn about available resources and collect ideas from other advisers.

All sessions begin at 4:30 PM and will be recorded.

September 15	Chapter Management
October 13	National FCCLA Website & Knowledge Hub
November 10	Integrating FCCLA into the FCS Classroom
December 8	Competitive Events
January 12	Service & Outreach
February 9	Public Relations
March 30	Fundraising
April 27	Chapter Leadership

Questions? Contact Tracey Eatherton, State Director, Montana FCCLA & ProStart
director@mtfccla.org

SEPTEMBER 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
30	31	01 FALL RALLY EARLY REGISTRATION ENDS NEW ADVISER WEBINAR RALLY FIRST TIME ATTENDEE SCHOLARSHIP DUE	02	03	04	05
06	07	08 NEW ADVISED WEBINAR	09	10	11	12
13	14 FALL RALLY REG. ENDS BULLETIN BOARD CONTEST ENTRIES DUE	15 ADVISED POWER HOUR, 4:30 VIA ZOOM	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27 FALL LEADERSHIP RALLY	28 FALL LEADERSHIP RALLY	29	30	01	02	03

TO DO LIST

UPDATE THE STAR CHAPTER
APPLICATION

SUBMIT SERVICE HOURS ONLINE



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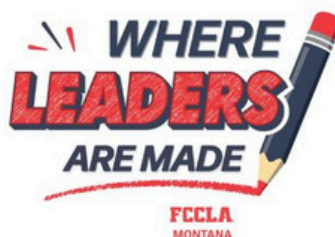
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TO DO LIST

MAKE PLANS TO ATTEND THE
DISTRICT MEETING!

UPDATE THE STAR CHAPTER
APPLICATION

SUBMIT SERVICE HOURS ONLINE
SUBMIT AFFILIATION BEFORE
DISTRICT MEETING!



NOTES

DISTRICT OFFICER FORMS ARE DUE
ONE WEEK PRIOR TO THE DISTRICT
MEETING; EXAMS MUST BE
COMPLETED THE DAY BEFORE THE
DISTRICT MEETING.