Once considered home economics, the field of Family and Consumer Sciences (FACS) is the comprehensive body of skills, research and knowledge that helps people make informed decisions about their well-being, relationships and resources to achieve optimal quality of life.10

WHAT DOES FACS HAVE TO OFFER?

Family-centered Career & Technical Student Organizations (CTSO’s)
Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) has more than 160,000 youth enrolled in FACS courses. It supports the development of employability skills and offers rich experiences that are critical for success. As the only CTSO with careers that support families as its central focus, FCCLA develops skills that last a lifetime, from creative and critical thinking to practical knowledge and career preparation.11

21ST CENTURY EMPLOYABILITY SKILL DEVELOPMENT
Top-6 soft skills exhibited by FACS & FCCLA students11:

- Working successfully with others
- Teamwork
- Leadership
- Creativity
- Responsibility & time management
- Decision-making

PREPARATION FOR IN-DEMAND CAREER PATHWAYS

- Culinary/Chef
- Child Care/Development
- Christian Services/Missionary
- Dental Health
- Equine Studies
- Fashion
- Interior Design
- Nursing/Health Care
- Physical Therapy
- Social Work/Human Services
- Teaching/Education
- Travel/Hospitality

ENCOURAGES POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION

Students engaged in FACS courses and FCCLA are more likely to pursue post-secondary schooling.11

- State College/University: 85%
- Community College: 21%
- Private College/University: 27%
- Vocational/Technical School: 8%

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FACS GOALS11

1. Improve the well-being of individuals and families across the lifespan.
2. Increase appreciation, knowledge and understanding of career and family development.
3. Increase critical and creative thinking skills to address diverse family, community and work settings.
4. Function as providers and consumers of products, services, and resources.
5. Balance personal, home, family, and work lives.
6. Foster success - life management, employment, and career development.
7. Manage resources to meet the material needs of individuals and families.
8. Promote optimal nutrition and wellness across the life span.
9. Strengthen the well-being of individuals and families across the life span.
10. Appreciate human worth and accept responsibility for one’s actions and success in family and work life.

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