

# REGION III LIFE SKILLS KNOWLEDGE

Life Skills, an *individual event*, recognizes participants who are interested in developing skills to make wise choices and understand their role as consumers. Information can be found at the LifeSmarts website (<http://lifesmarts.org>), and from government agencies and consumer groups. This event is a Region III event and IS NOT a required part of the LifeSmarts competition. Individuals may OR may not select to enter LifeSmarts competition.

## EVENT CATEGORIES

Junior: through grade 9

Senior: grades 10-12

See pages 8 and 20 for more information on event categories.

## ELIGIBILITY

1. A chapter may enter each category of this event.
2. A chapter may submit any number of entries in each category of this event.
3. Participation is open to any regional, state, and nationally affiliated FCCLA chapter member (December 20 postmark deadline).
4. An event category is determined by participants' previous or current enrollment in family and consumer sciences related course work and grade in school as of the current school year.
5. Participants in this event may not be entered in any other STAR Event.
6. Entry forms are available online at the regional website.

**THIS IS A REGIONAL EVENT ONLY AND DOES NOT QUALIFY FOR PARTICIPATION IN STATE/NATIONAL STAR EVENTS.**

## CRITERIA FOR EVALUATION

Participants will be evaluated on their knowledge of five areas: personal finance, health and safety, environment, technology, and consumer rights and responsibilities. Participants will also be evaluated on following instructions, having proper equipment, and neatness/legibility.

## TIPS FOR PREPARING

1. Take practice quizzes online at [www.lifesmarts.org](http://www.lifesmarts.org)
2. Do not register a team on LifeSmarts UNLESS you have a team wishing to compete at the LifeSmarts state competition.
3. Gather study materials from: government agencies, businesses, consumer groups, videos, texts, web sites, booklets, and brochures.
4. Under coaches at [www.lifesmarts.org](http://www.lifesmarts.org): click on teaching resources--use these resources to find practice questions (practice competitions, fast facts, federal government scavenger hunts, questions of day calendars, lesson in LifeSmarts, Online Lessons in LifeSmarts, Glossary, Quick Quizzes, Resource Links, and Federal Consumer Information Center.

## **PROCEDURES & TIME REQUIREMENTS**

1. Participants report to the event lead consultant at the designated room fifteen minutes prior to participation time.
2. One hour is allowed for the event including the instructions and paper collection.
3. The test may consist of general information about personal finance, the environment, health and safety, consumer rights and responsibilities, and technology.
4. Participants will take a 50 question multiple choice test.
5. Any answer not legible will be marked as an incorrect answer.
6. Scratch paper is furnished.
7. Participants are responsible for bringing their own #2 pencils/mechanical pencils and erasers for this event.
8. Participants will not be allowed to have any props or personal property at the test site with them. Personal property can be stored at the back of the room.
9. General rules of the State STAR Events Manual will be observed.
10. Spectators are not allowed.

## **EVALUATION AND AWARDS**

Results are based on the percentage of correct items. Medals will be awarded as follows:

Gold: 90 - 100 % correct

Silver: 70-89.99 % correct

Bronze: 1 – 69.99% or below correct

The participant scoring a gold rating with the greatest number of correct answers is the top gold winner. Ties will be broken based on the order in which the tests were turned in. The test turned in the earliest will be the winner.

The scoring sheet will be returned to the advisors at the end of STAR Events. **TESTS WILL NOT BE RETURNED.**