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Dear Region III FCCLA,

Greetings! As the 2009-2010 fiscal year of Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America has begun, it is my honor to give greetings on behalf of the National Executive Council. Being elected as the National Vice-President of STAR Events is an opportunity I am honored to receive, but also one that comes with responsibility and hard work. I will do my best to fulfill my duties and represent Region III FCCLA in a positive way.

With the hard work and enthusiasm from our members, we can all make this year the best ever! Many events and activities have been planned for the upcoming year and I would like to remind chapters, advisers, and members of these events and activities. The National Cluster Meetings will be focusing on helping members *Grasp Greatness* in all areas of their lives. The dates and locations of those meetings are as follows:

November 13-15 Washington D.C.

November 20-22 Louisville, KY

Salt Lake City, UT

I hope to see many chapter members and advisers from our region in attendance, as it will be an amazing experience focusing on youth leadership and involvement in all the activities FCCLA has to offer.

I would also like to invite you to the 2010 National Leadership Conference in Chicago, Illinois where we will be celebrating 65 Years of Leadership in our organization on July 4-8, 2010. During this jam-packed week, you will have the opportunity to attend workshops, youth sessions, run for office, and listen to motivating and inspirational speakers. This conference will truly be *The Ultimate Leadership Experience* for all those attending.

Throughout the year, I would like to remind members to use *Goodsearch* as their default search engine. Each search made through this website will give money back to FCCLA. Simply specify which nonprofit organization you wish to contribute to, and it's as easy as that! Also, don't forget to utilize the new FCCLA...Handbook to Ultimate Leadership book as well as the national program CD's.

Once again, I am excited to serve Region III FCCLA on the national level. I hope to see many members and advisers during my term of office and I can't wait to help our organization move *Toward New Horizons!*

Sincerely,

Caroline Kirby
National Vice-President of STAR Events