



Wisconsin Family, Career & Community Leaders of America Foundation, Inc.

2025 ANNUAL REPORT

Stanley-Boyd's Goettl, WR Lincoln's Kozlowski Named 2025 Wisconsin FCCLA Foundation Chapter President \$500.00 FCCLA Leadership Scholarship Winners

The Wisconsin FCCLA Foundation Presidential Scholarship recognizes a Wisconsin FCCLA Chapter President for leadership and outstanding involvement at the local and state levels. This year, the Foundation awarded two \$500.00 Chapter Presidential Scholarships. The board of directors reviewing the scholarships determined both candidates were extremely qualified and deserving of the scholarship. The additional scholarship was made possible by a generous donation by a Foundation board member to make this opportunity possible for both candidates.

The first recipient is Maggie Kozlowski, a senior at Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln High School. Her accomplishments include: earning 15 STAR event awards at regional, state and national levels, serving as State Vice President of Finance, participating in numerous community projects with extracurricular activities that include math league, HOSA, orchestra, Teen Leadership, cross country, and National Honor Society. Maggie's recommendations cited her intelligence, kindness, effective leadership skills and a strong desire to help others. Maggie will attend UW-Eau Claire and pursue a degree in Accounting and Finance. Congratulations, Maggie!



Maggie Kozlowski
Wis. Rapids Lincoln FCCLA
Lincoln High School
Adviser: Valerie Pollman-DeVries

The second Presidential Scholarship is awarded to Isabella Goettl, a senior at Stanley-Boyd High School. Her many achievements include earning in nine STAR event awards at regional, state and national competitions. She served as a chapter FCCLA officer for three years. Isabella was involved in many FCCLA chapter projects that also included volunteering at two food pantries. Her additional extracurricular school activities include serving as a class officer for four years, yearbook and Vice-President of National Honor Society. Isabella was recognized in her letters of recommendation as extremely reliable, being trustworthy, having an impressive work ethic and someone who

leads by example. Isabella will attend Northern State University in Aberdeen, SD with a major in Biology. Congratulations, Isabella!

To learn more about the Wisconsin FCCLA Foundation Scholarship opportunities, contact Carol Subera, Scholarship Chairperson, a WI FCCLA Foundation board member, or visit our new website: <https://www.wifcclafoundation.org/> or surf to wifccla.org



Isabella Goettl
Stanley-Boyd FCCLA
Stanley-Boyd High School
Adviser: Kari Thorpe

2025 Greetings from Foundation President Bonnie Duchac

This year the Wisconsin FCCLA Foundation is proud to announce that our new website went live in April of 2025. The website was made possible by a generous donation by a board member. Now all our applications for our sponsored programs, fundraising information and notifications are available at your fingertips. The applications have

all been updated to be a fillable document, which should make it easier for the FCCLA Chapters and advisers to take advantage of our chapter grants, scholarships, professional development, Rubi Reds, LLC fundraising opportunities and be alerted to our special notices. All of the applications can be attached and sent electronically to the board

members that chair the activities. The chair's emails are on the applications should anyone have questions regarding the sponsored programs or the application process. It is the board's goal to have more chapters and advisers take advantage of these opportunities to enhance their chapter activities that contribute to

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Bonnie Duchac
President
WI FCCLA Foundation

Our Foundation's Mission: To accept, manage and distribute contributions that will support Wisconsin FCCLA members who are learning to make informed, socially responsible, individual, family and career actions.

Annual Foundation Raffle Held for National FCCLA STAR Event Chapters

A special thank you goes out to all who generously donated gift baskets, gift cards, gift items and monetary donations to the raffle.

This is the Foundation's largest fundraiser and generates funds to provide a stipend to help pay the registration fees to chapters who have students compete in the National FCCLA STAR Events.

This year's raffle was held at the WI FCCLA State Leadership Conference in

April at the Kalahari Convention Center in Wisconsin Dells, WI. It generated \$2271.00 to assist with registration fees for the 161 STAR Event participants who competed in the STAR Events at the National FCCLA Convention in Orlando, FL, July 5-10.

The Foundation provided each chapter who had a STAR Event participant at nationals a \$50 stipend to assist with the participation in the events.

2025 National STAR Event Results for Wisconsin

The National FCCLA Leadership Conference was held in Orlando, FL July 5-10 with 10,000 chapter members, advisers and guests in attendance celebrating this year's theme "Dare to Dream" from across the United States.

The Wisconsin delegation totaled 237 people including 166 students that

included 161 STAR Event competitors and 31 advisers. The state achieved 63 Golds; 74 Silvers; and 18 Bronze. Also, 43 competitors were in the top 10%, 15 were in the top 3%, and 7 placed in the top 1% in their category.

Lizzy Curtis, 2025-26 WI State FCCLA President at Westby High School, Westby, WI earned the National Top Membership Award that included submitting an application to determine her involvement in FCCLA in her chapter, school and community at the local, state, and national levels, as well as multiple rounds of interviews.

Wisconsin left an enormous mark at the National Convention. We are very proud of their hard work and guidance from their advisers for all their accomplishments.

Wisconsin FCCLA Chapters with National STAR Event participants were:

Abbotsford HS, Bangor HS, Barron HS, Black River Falls MS, Blair-Taylor HS, De Pere HS, Dodgeville HS, Eau Claire Memorial HS, Eau Claire North HS, Elkhorn Area HS, Gale-Ettrick-Trempealeau HS, Indian Trail HS, Kettle Moraine Lutheran HS, Kewaunee HS, Lake Geneva HS, La Crosse Central HS, La Crosse Logan, La Farge HS, Lincoln HS-Alma Center, Loyal HS, Manitowoc Lincoln HS, Menasha HS, Mosinee HS, Neillsville HS, Nekoosa HS, Prairie Farm HS, Pewaukee HS, Rosholt HS, Sheboygan North HS, Sparta HS, Stanley Boyd HS, Thorp HS, Tomahawk HS, Two Rivers HS, Verona HS, Washington MS, Wausau West HS, West Bend HS, Westby HS, Westosha Central HS, Weyauwega-Fremont HS, Wilson MS, Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln HS.



Lizzie Curtis
Westby FCCLA
Westby High School
Adviser: Jennie Marx

Knutson retires from FCCLA Foundation

After more than two decades of dedicated service, Marilyn Knutson has resigned from the WI FCCLA Foundation Board. A key member since 2003, she leaves behind

a legacy of commitment, including 17 years spent as Foundation secretary.

Marilyn's impact extends far beyond her board service. As a Family and Consumer Sciences teacher at Rice Lake and Menomonie, she advised the local FCCLA chapters for 37 years, helping to shape the lives of countless students. Her work led nine of her advisees to become state FCCLA officers.

Marilyn often credits FCCLA with creating opportunities for students and advisers alike to travel to national competitions and form lifelong friendships.

A Stone Lake resident, Marilyn looks forward to spending more time with her son, daughter and five grandchildren.

The Board reluctantly accepts her resignation and extends its deepest gratitude for her leadership and tireless dedication. She will be greatly missed. We wish her all the best.



Marilyn Knutson

In Remembrance of Cecile Hoffman

Former Wisconsin FCCLA Foundation board member Marilyn "Cecile" Elliott Hoffman, formerly of Platteville, WI, passed away on December 22, 2024. As a director of Career and Technical Education Projects at CESA #3, she represented Family and Consumer Science professionals as a member of the Board. She was actively involved in the early workings of the Foundation and continued to support the Foundation's mission in the years following her board service. We are appreciative of her contributions to WI FCCLA Foundation.

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to their school, community involvement and career explorations relating to Family and Consumer Sciences.

The Foundation would like to thank all of our donors who help to make our sponsored programs available to Wisconsin FCCLA members and advisers.

Your monetary donations and resources donated to our annual raffle at the Wisconsin State Leadership Conference assist in sponsoring a stipend to the national competitors in numerous STAR (Students Taking Action with Recognition) Competitive Events that highlight the purposes of the Wisconsin FCCLA and the Wisconsin FCCLA Foundation.

We encourage everyone to visit our new website and learn more about the Wisconsin FCCLA Foundation and how you might also contribute to the work of the Foundation: <https://www.wifcclafoundation.org/>

Thank you for your continued support of the WI FCCLA Foundation and WI FCCLA.

Sincerely,

Bonnie Duchac

Wisconsin FCCLA Foundation President

2024-25 Patricia Thorsbakken Chapter Grant Award Winners

The Foundation Chapter Grants reflect the tireless efforts of Pat Thorsbakken to the grant project and the importance of the FCCLA Planning Process. Two FCCLA Chapters were selected for grants up to \$500.00 to facilitate their national program project.

Stanley-Boyd member Isabella Goettl chaired their chapter's project by organizing members to make lap-sized sensory quilts with a variety of patterns, textures and activities as a way to reduce stress. Isabella stated that she will continue to make the quilts as her autistic sister uses her quilt regularly.

Milwaukee South Division's project encouraged reading by having the chapter members practice their reading aloud skills and then sharing those skills by reading to young children at their "Pancakes with Santa" project. They also visited and read to children in local schools.

Selected projects were featured at the 2025 State FCCLA Conference held at Wisconsin Dells last April.

Grant recipients must be nationally affiliated and focus their project on one of the FCCLA National Programs. The project must be carried out between Dec. 1 and May 1 of the school year. The chapter is required to submit an application, a follow-up report, record and submit receipts for the completed project, and develop a display for the WI FCCLA State Leadership Conference.

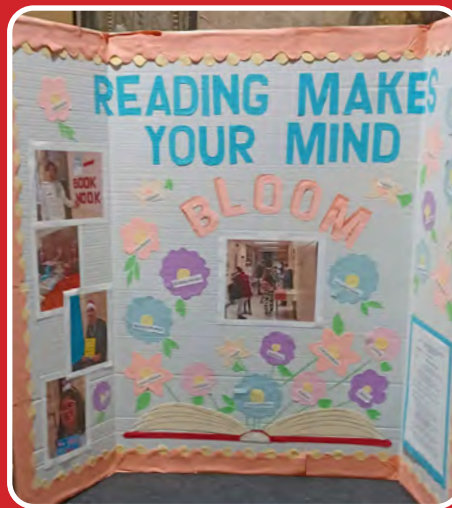
The 2025-26 Grant applicants are eligible for \$500 for their project upon acceptance of their grant proposal and

completion of the project requirements.

Applications were due Nov. 6, 2025 with notification of the recipients of the awarded grants by Dec. 1, 2025.

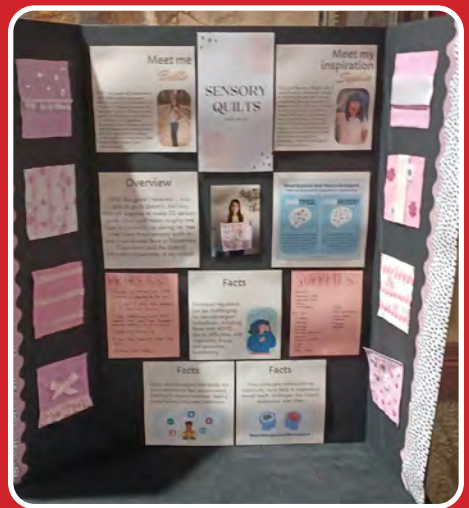
For more information about applying

for a chapter grant, contact Judy Foss, Wisconsin FCCLA Foundation Board Grant Chairperson or visit the Foundation website: <https://www.wifcclaoundation.org/> to complete an application.



Milwaukee South Division HS FCCLA
Project Title: 'Reading'
National Program: Career Connections

Advisers: Marilyn Swiontek & Helen Martin



Stanley-Boyd Jr/Sr HS FCCLA
Project Title: 'Teaching Quilts'
National Program: Teaching Strategies
Project Chair: Isabella Goettl

Adviser: Kari Thorpe

Tomahawk's Ewart Receives Diane Colby 2024-25 Professional Development Grant

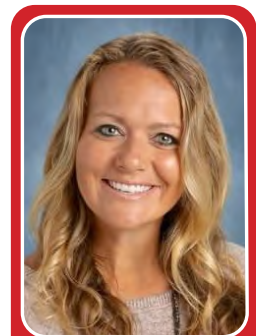
The Wisconsin FCCLA Foundation recognizes Allison Ewart from Tomahawk High School as a recipient of a \$500 grant to attend the 2025 Chapter Adviser Summit in Orlando, FL in January 2025.

Allison's application signified her out-

standing leadership in Family & Consumer Science and WI FCCLA. The grant will enhance her ability to lead her chapter and empower her chapter members to take on a leadership role in chapter projects.

The Diane Colby Professional Development Grant is available to Wisconsin FCCLA advisers seeking to further their professional development in Family and Consumer Sciences and FCCLA by completing courses or workshops that provide academic or professional development credit.

For more information on how to apply for a Professional Development Grant, visit the Wisconsin FCCLA website: www.wifcclaoundation.org or wifccla.org.



Allison Ewart
Tomahawk FCCLA
Tomahawk High School

Rubi Reds, LLC Appoints a Dedicated Coordinator for FCCLA Chapter Fundraising

Mason Zimmerman is the new contact person for the Rubi Reds, LLC, Wisconsin Rapids, WI.

The updated information to coordinate a fundraising program is now located on the <https://www.wifcclaoundation.org/> website.

Rubi Reds, LLC has continued to be a committed to supporting the Wisconsin FCCLA Foundation and Wisconsin FCCLA Chapters.



The fundraising programs that you generate will secure a 2% donation to the Foundation based on your gross sales. This is an independent donation from the profits generated by your sales.

For more information about how your chapter can support a Wisconsin business and food product, visit our website for more information or info@rubireds.com or call (715) 712-0324.

Wisconsin FCCLA Foundation Update: Fiscal Overview & Foundation Contributors

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Foundation Fiscal Overview: July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025

Balance June 30, 2024	\$11,862.97	EXPENSES (continued)	
Diane Colby Memorial	\$2,939.00	Scholarships	\$2,000.00
Total	\$14,801.97	Postage and Delivery & Printing and Reproduction (Includes Annual Report)	\$310.36
INCOME		Supplies & Materials	\$.00
Contributions & Support	\$4,252.25	Website	\$1,868.50
Interest Earned	\$.00	Diane Colby Memorial Award	\$500.00
Diane Colby Memorial Contributions	\$.00	Total Expense	\$8,013.36
Raffle	\$1,821.00	NET INCOME	-\$1,939.48
Total Income	\$6,073.88		
EXPENSES			
Government Fees	\$104.50	Balance June 30, 2025	\$11,479.74
Chapter Grant Awards	\$500.00	Diane Colby Memorial	\$2,439.00
NLC STAR Event Awards	\$2,520.00	Total	\$13,918.74

Foundation Contributors: July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025

Grants/Organizations/Corporation/Donations:	In Memory of:
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We encourage you to join our generous contributors in supporting the work of the Wisconsin FCCLA Foundation. Please include your tax-deductible contribution and mail it to the address listed below. Wisconsin FCCLA Foundation, Inc.

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