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SANTA MARIA JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Ten Santa Maria High School Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) students and advisers Mary Foley, Erin Pearson and Nicki Pedeliski recently attended the virtual FCCLA Fall Leadership Meeting.

Student members included: Angela Pineda, Luis Gonzalez, Niles Hensley, Daniela Santos, Chrishan Soukkasem, Stephanie Auino Ramirez, Christopher Cruz, Caren Cruz, Omar Santos, and Perla Saavendra.

The theme of the meeting, "FCCLA: Leadership Beyond Measure," included a Region Officer presentation, leadership activities, and interactive workshops focusing on the many opportunities in FCCLA. Chapter members were encouraged to participate in leadership development by becoming a Region Officer Candidate or by participating in an FCCLA team or individual Student Taking Action with Recognition (STAR) Event. The 2020-2022 State Project Goals are: Student Body, Power of One and Stand Up.

FCS teachers who served as FCCLA advisors had an opportunity to participate in an Advisor's Session in which they reviewed the new Affiliation Packet, learned about the 2020–2021 STAR Event themes, and were provided information about the CA FCCLA Web site and affiliation process. The FCS State Staff from the California Department of Education provided programmatic updates.

Approximately 88 chapters, including FCCLA chapter members, advisors and administrators participated in this meeting.

California FCCLA is a career and technical student organization (CTSO) for students in grades 6–12 who are enrolled in Family and Consumer Sciences (FCS) Education Programs. The focus of the organization is to prepare students for roles as family members, citizens, and employees in some of California's fastest growing industries.

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