



*“Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter.”*

-Martin Luther King Jr

**TYPES OF CLUB DESIGNS.** The national FCA initiative supports a club design that allows campuses to become engaged in this work in one of two ways with these requirements .

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### **Club Design #1** - *Future Child Advocates Club*

Separate and newly established student organization

#### **Requirements:**

- Approval by a student affairs department in college/university as a formal student club/organization. *(Requirements established by college/university often including: constitution, “#” members already signed up, Faculty Advisor, Student Leadership in place, when approved “x” dollars provided by university to support club activities, etc.)*
- FCA goals included in the formal student club/organization constitution and submitted to National FCA team upon approval of college/university club.
- Pending acceptance by national FCA team of the approved college/university FCA club, local student group will also have support from the national team (e.g. training, consultation, access to resources) to implement its activities.
- Semester update report to FCA national on outcomes during this time period – i.e. Fall/Spring.
- Participation by local college FCA leadership in periodic conference calls with FCA national team leaders to provide assistance/support throughout the year.
- FCA club/student organization maintains national level support as long as it is supported within the university/college.

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## Club Design #2 - *Future Child Advocates Affiliate*

Activities/goals part of an already established club/student organization

### Requirements:

- The “parent” formal student club/organization is already approved by their college/university and shares similar and/or mutually beneficial goals of a *Future Child Advocate* type of student group.
- There is an agreement by the Leadership of the “Parent” student club that the four goals of FCA can be added to their original goals and objectives.
- There is an agreement by the Leadership of the “Parent” student club that similar activities identified in the *FCA Club Guidelines Handbook* especially during October and April of each year can be incorporated into their current efforts.
- The “parent” student club/organization will appoint/elect a **POINT PERSON** from their club who will serve as the *Liaison* with national FCA and be available to participate with our FCA club leadership in regular Conference calls in order to receive additional support and guidance as needed.
- Pending the submission and approval by the national FCA team of anticipated activities which will meet the four goals of FCA , the Affiliate student group will then have full support from national (e.g. training, consultation, access to a variety of resources) to implement its activities.
- The *Affiliate Club Liaison* must submit for approval each semester a report of the outcomes and next semester plans in order to continue to be recognized and supported in all ways by the national FCA office.

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**REGISTER.** Are you or your group seriously thinking about getting involved as an *FCA Club* or *Affiliate*? **Great!** Complete the *Survey Monkey registration/contact form* and an FCA national Team member will be in touch to answer questions or help move your ideas forward.

*Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has.*

- Margaret Mead

