

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP TRAINING

Family and Community Leadership (FCL) is a National Association for Family, Community and Education (NAFCE) leadership development, education, and training program. The W. K. Kellogg Foundation provided initial capital which supplemented the Tennessee Association for Family and Community Education (TAFCE) and University of Tennessee Extension (UT Extension) to establish the Tennessee FCL program.

TAFCE in partnership with UT Extension offers leadership workshops to prepare participants to become effective leaders to serve in their communities. They will become skilled in leadership, public policy, education, and advocacy. They will develop and strengthen their skills to benefit individuals, families, communities, FCE and other organizations. For more information go to: NAFCE (www.nafce.org) or TAFCE (tafce.tennessee.edu) website.

This is a two-session training consisting of 30 hours of classroom work. Usually, 15 hours of classroom work in the spring and 15 hours of classroom work in the summer. Both sessions must be completed within an 18-month period. It is expected of each member being educated and trained to become active leaders and serve in their local FCE club, county council, region board, TAFCE State Board, NAFCE Board or other community organizations.

The cost to attend FCL Training is as follows:

- A. FCE member-\$110.00, non-member-\$120.00, and FCS Agents-\$30.00.
- B. The TAFCE account will pay a hotel room, if an overnight stay is needed and the room is shared with another participant or teacher. If a single room is requested, TAFCE will pay half the room fee, the remaining half the room fee to be paid by the participant or teacher.
- C. FCS Agents will make their own hotel reservation and pay all their own expenses.
- D. The TAFCE account will pay the costs for TAFCE board members to attend FCL training, if they have not previously attended.

If interested in attending, please complete the *Application and Reimbursement Form*. A current TAFCE member may apply for reimbursement. See guidelines below.

Guideline for Reimbursement

The *Application and Reimbursement Request Form* may be completed by a current TAFCE member who is interested in attending the Family and Community Leadership Training. Reimbursement is provided by each Region Board for six (6) members per session to attend.

To qualify, you must complete 30 hours of training offered in two 15 hours training sessions. You may begin in either spring (April) or Fall (August). The reimbursement is offered on a first come, first served bases (preferably, one per county). If all six (6) reimbursement have been requested, a TAFCE member may request to attend, paying all their own expenses **and** provided space is available. **Failure to complete the required 30 hours in an 18-month period results in forfeiture of their payment** and the member cannot apply for the reimbursement again. If space is available, they can participate at their own cost as a member. Exception may be granted for extenuating situations with approval of the Region Board.

