

21st Century Process Skills and FCCLA

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Directions: Share an example(s) of how each of the national programs could be used to promote the 21st century process skills.

Career Connection can build 21st century skills:

- Thinking and problem solving are enhanced through the interest survey's and assessments.
- Information literacy and communication are developed through researching of careers, preparing for interview and building the working portfolio for the course.
- Leadership and collaboration would be developed through making presentations in class and being involved in mentoring/job shadow experiences.

Community Service can build 21st century skills:

- Communication would be enhanced when working on community service projects (like Ronald McDonald pop tab collection) and talking with members, friends and developing advertising.
- Media and digital technology would be developed when working on advertising of service projects.
- Collaboration would be developed when working with other groups to make the service project happen, like other school or community groups or businesses.
- If doing a project that is totally the students work, it would develop productivity, flexibility, initiative, problem-solving, communication across generations, critical-thinking, and self-direction.
- Working with the media (to get the word out) would also develop these skills.

Competitive Events can build 21st century skills:

- Service projects include identifying concerns, setting a goal, forming a plan, acting on that plan and evaluating results which develop all the 21st century process skills in authentic ways.
- Occupational events offer a way to evaluate technical skills which are linked to specific jobs or occupations which enhances collaboration (in team events), problem solving, flexibility, leadership and communication when training and preparing.
- Participation in the FACS Knowledge Bowl will develop all 21st century process skills as teams practice, prepare and participate in competitions.

Dynamic Leadership can build 21st century skills:

- Use in Career and Community Connections course to develop workforce
- Could be used in all Human Services areas to promote taking the lead and making change happen

Families Acting for Community Traffic Safety (FACTS) can build 21st century skills:

- Promote communication skills through community projects or involvement with citizens.
- Develop leadership through initiating community to address issues related to traffic safety.
- Enhance problem solving through working with established programs (like SADD or MADD or RADD).

Families First can build 21st century skills:

- Builds all of them within families.

Financial Fitness can build 21st century skills:

- Technology—On-line banking, Quicken, Spreadsheets, Mortgage/Interest tables
- Adaptability—Budgeting, Life events, Simulations
- Productivity—Standard of Living, Experiences, Jobs
- Innovation—Starting businesses
- Media—Identifying reliable resources
- Critical thinking—Life choices/decisions, Setting financial goals, Identifying needs and wants
- Communication—Identifying needs and wants, Values, Compromises, Setting standards, Negotiation

Power of One can build 21st century skills:

- Each of the five self-identified power of one projects builds 21st century process skills, projects may develop some skills a bit more strongly than others, however in all situations the skill application is repeated across all five topic areas. This more strongly encourages the process skill development.

STOP the Violence can build 21st century skills:

- Projects build communication, problem solving, collaboration and uses technology to gather information.
- Collaboration, problem solving and critical thinking are developed when taking part in the Abuse continuum.
- All are used in setting up a panel of experts.

Student Body can build 21st century skills:

- Critical thinking is enhanced when considering how to change school meals.
- Problem solving is developed when trying to change diet due to budget changes.
- Media literacy is improved by using the “my plate” information through the USDE website and creating nutrition labels using www.caloriecount.com and other sites.