

WAFCS News – May, 2025

WISCONSIN ASSOCIATION OF FAMILY CONSUMER SCIENCES



AAFCS Annual Conference, June 25-27, 2025

WAFCS attendance will be 12 members strong celebrating with
Cathy Lader, a recipient of the AAFCS Leader Award!

Attending AAFCS in Kansas City?
Please email Cindy at
cindyquilling.wafcs@gmail.com
with your name and
cellphone number.

Mark Your Calendars!
Participate in your
WAFCS Annual Business Meeting
on July 14, 2025.

The **Build FCS Baking STEAM Workshop** has a limit of 29 participants so early registration is recommended. ➡

WAFCS extends their sympathy
to the family of former
WAFCS president,
Charmaine Rimple,
who passed away May 10, 2025.

Calling all current and future FCS teachers!

FCS Professional Development Workshops



Attend one, two or all three of our summer workshops at UW-Stevens Point. PDUs available!

Emerging FCS Teacher Summer Institute

July 29 - 30

FREE workshop covering:

- Active Learning Strategies
- Culinary Arts
- Early Childhood Education
- FCCLA
- Lab management in textiles & culinary arts
- Personal Financial Literacy
- RealityWorks Simulators and Curriculum Kits
- Standards and Career Pathways



Register by July 11



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Counseling and Mental Health Services and Opportunities in the Human Services Industry

July 30 | 1 - 5 p.m.

Build a pathway in human services that includes a focus on counseling and mental health services pathways, transferable skills in human services, and entrepreneurial and career opportunities.

*50 includes all supplies and box lunch

Build FCS Baking STEAM: Home to Careers

July 31 | 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Join UWSP and Home Baking Association for a hands-on workshop to elevate your baking education!

- **STEAM Integration:** Dive into sensory science, ingredient functions, farm-to-oven technology, and baking arts.
- **Food Safety Resources:** Access SERVSAFE supplements for safe baking practices.
- **Culinary & Baking Techniques:** Gain online and physical resources to enrich classroom learning.
- **Industry Connections:** Link students to real-world baking careers across the supply chain.

All resources and labs align with FCS national standards.

*50 includes lunch, supplies and resources

For more information, email UWSP Continuing Education at uwspceweb@uwsp.edu or call 715-346-3838



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Any additional questions please contact
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Wisconsin Association of Family and Consumer Sciences is fortunate to be supported by the **WAFCS Foundation** for 35 years. Founded in 1990 the Foundation's vision was to support FCS professionals, FCS programs and research projects. In 2024, over \$10,000 was awarded to members, over 55 scholarships have been distributed to undergraduate and graduate students and over 150 travelships have been awarded. Scholarship recipient, Tara Weber, and Travelship recipient, Ryan Lehman, share their thoughts on the impacts of the Foundation's support.



Tara Weber, CFCS
School District of Medford
Scholarship Recipient

I was fortunate to receive a scholarship from this foundation, which played a vital role in my journey to study Family and Consumer Sciences Education at UW-Stout. Because of this generous support, I was able to focus on my education, deepen my passion for teaching, and work toward a future where I can empower others with essential life skills.

The theme, Honoring Our Roots, deeply resonates with me. Family and Consumer Sciences is about strengthening the foundation of individuals, families, and communities—our roots. I am grateful for the strong foundation this scholarship has given me, allowing me to grow and pursue my passion for education.

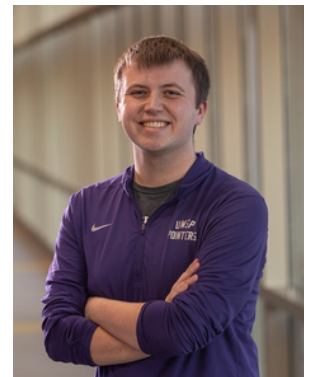
To the Wisconsin Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Foundation, thank you for investing in students like me. Your generosity doesn't just support our education; it nurtures future educators who will continue to strengthen and uplift others. I am proud to be part of this field and look forward to carrying on the legacy of FCS.

I am deeply honored and grateful to have received a travelship, scholarship, and professional grant from the Wisconsin Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Foundation. These generous awards have played a pivotal role in advancing my academic and professional journey in Family and Consumer Sciences.

The scholarship provided essential financial support during my studies, allowing me to focus on my educational goals without the added financial strain. The travelship enabled me to attend a key professional conference in Orlando, where I expanded my network, gained valuable insights from industry leaders, and discovered new strategies to better serve my community.

The professional grant was particularly impactful, as it allowed me to develop and implement a project focused on WAFCS member retention and recruitment. Through this project, I worked on strategies to strengthen our membership base, enhance engagement, and ensure the long-term sustainability of our professional community. This experience not only helped me grow as a leader but also reinforced my commitment to advancing the mission of WAFCS.

I am immensely thankful to the WAFCS Foundation for their ongoing support of professionals and students. Their investment in my growth has inspired me to continue making meaningful contributions to the field and to advocate for the important work we do in Family and Consumer Sciences.



Ryan Lehman, CFCS
School District of
New Glarus
Travelship Recipient

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