



Minnesota Association of Family and Consumer Sciences (MAFCS) New Professional Support (NPS) Policy

A New Professional is a AAFCS/MAFCS member who is working in the first three years of employment of the first professional FCS job.

New Professional Recipients will receive the following as a participant in a professional event:

- Networking
- Partial monetary assistance (as available) for attending state, regional, and national family and consumer sciences conferences to be reimbursed after the event.
- Leadership, grants and community service involvement opportunities.
- Mentoring from experienced professionals and/or sponsorship.
- Connections to job opening information
- Resources, knowledge, and professional development
- Resume building experience

NPS recipients must meet the following requirements:

- Full or Part time employment in a Family and Consumer Sciences related career within the first three years of employment of your first professional FCS job.
- Professional member status of the American and Minnesota Associations of Family and Consumer Sciences in good standing (current paid membership).
- Participate actively in the funded event by attending all scheduled sessions, networking with other attendees.
- Write a brief article for the MAFCS newsletter after the event and submit to Cherry Cramer at cramercherry@gmail.com and Lois Lewis at lewsilois12@gmail.com **within 2 weeks of event.**
- Complete the conference evaluation.
- Write a note of thanks to the MAFCS Officers and give it to Cherry Cramer at the conference to receive awarded funds. A thank you card will be provided to NPS recipients at the conference registration desk.

NPS money will be awarded based on the following variables:

- Length of attendance at the conference/event
*NPS applicants who attend **all** days/sessions of a conference/event will be given priority.*
- Other financial contributions from outside sources (*i.e. professional development funds from place of employment, grants, etc.*)
*NPS applicants who have **not** received contributions from outside sources will be given priority*
- Funds available
All NPS awards are subject to the amount of total funds available for distribution



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Date of Application: _____ **APPLICATION DEADLINE EXTENDED TO December 1, 2023**

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

NPS Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/ZIP: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cellphone: _____

Email: _____

Place of Employment: _____

City/State/ZIP: _____

Starting date of Employment: _____ Number of years teaching: _____

AAFCs PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

AAFCs Membership Number: _____ Date of Membership Renewal: _____

Number of Years of Membership: _____

_____ I am applying for the 1st Year Introductory rate AAFCS/MAFCS membership in AAFCS/MAFCS.

_____ I am applying for NPS funds for the MAFCS State Conference - March 2, 2024.

_____ I plan to attend the MAFCS State Conference - March 2, 2024.

_____ I plan to stay at the hotel for the MAFCS State Conference - March 2, 2024.

Write a statement regarding how you plan to benefit from the attending this event:

Are you receiving any other financial assistance to attend this event? ____ Yes ____ No

If YES, please explain what is covered by other institutions (registrations, hotel, etc).

I, _____, have read the NPS Policy. I understand funds will vary from event to event and that while no monetary assistance is absolutely guaranteed, MAFCS professionals will make every effort to raise the funds necessary to support this valuable program. If chosen as a NPS recipient, I will complete the requirements of a NPS recipient listed in the NPS Policy and will attend the conference as identified while enjoying the many benefits.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Send completed form to: **Amanda Kinnander, % MAFCS Awards and Scholarships, Bemidji Middle School, Independent School District 31, 502 Minnesota Ave NW, Bemidji, MN 56601 by deadline: December 18, 2023.** OR Send Electronically to: amanda_kinnander@isd31.net

Date Received: _____ Payment sent: _____