



## Fast FACS from Virginia

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### Fall Webinar: “Design Thinking” October 20<sup>th</sup> 3:30-4:30

Dr. Farrell Doss will talk about the design process. Learn about more about how the design process can be used to improve idea generation | How it can be used to help students generate multiple solutions to a given problem | How it improves critical thinking | How it enhances communications.

- Register for the event at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/vafcs-fall-webinar-design-thinking-camp-with-dr-farrell-doss-tickets-27558720876>.
- Instructions for accessing the webinar will be sent to participants on October 17, 2016.
- Participants can earn PDUs from AAFCS.

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### Mentorship Initiative: NEW this year

Are you interested in serving as a mentor? Please complete and submit the mentorship initiative form. Access the form at <https://www.vafcs-aafcs.org/become-a-mentor.html>.

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### Apply for VAFCS “Dining In Day” Grants NOW:

VAFCS members can now apply for “Dining In Day” grants. Due October 15<sup>th</sup>. Grant applications are now available on the VAFCS website at <https://www.vafcs-aafcs.org/grants.html>.



### 2017 Annual Conference:

*Earn PDUs | Great Networking Opportunities | Latest Trends in Research & Practice*

The annual conference will be held at the Fredericksburg Hospitality House and Conference Center, Fredericksburg, Virginia on March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017 with preconference events on March 30<sup>th</sup>.  
*Registration information coming soon.*

- **Preconference Events:**

- On March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017 explore Fredericksburg, Virginia. Visit an agri-tourism venue and attend a preconference dinner that will feature a private chef tasting at Foode, a farm-to-table restaurant.
- **Keynote & Other Presentations:**
  - **Dr. Deborah Tippett**, Family and Consumer Sciences Professor at Meredith College. Learn about “Appreciate Inquiry: A Winning Technique for Business Professionals.”
  - **Dr. Michelle Hesse**, Nutrition Professor at James Madison University. Learn about Lifecycle Nutrition and Wellness and the latest information on Food Labeling and Fad Diets.
  - **Dr. Peggy Quesenberry**, Fashion Merchandising and Design, Virginia Tech. Learn about “Product Development in the World of Fashion”.
  - **Caroline Crocoll**, Director-Division of Family & Consumer Sciences USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture. Learn about “Family & Consumer Sciences: Federal and National Perspectives.”
  - **Dr. Jude Cassidy**, Professor of Psychology at the University of Maryland at College Park. Learn more about “Secure Attachment: A Foundation for Children’s Health and Well-Being.”
  - **Dr. Patricia Reynolds** Professor at Mary Washington University. Learn about the “Latest Trends in Education in the United States.”
- **LIVE food demo** by the Virginia Beef Council to launch the NEW FCSfit Initiative.

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## **AAFCS Leadership Academy:**

Academy Participant Applications are due October 15<sup>th</sup>- The Leadership Academy is an organized effort to assure that a professional cohort of potential new leaders will be available to assume leadership positions in committees, communities, councils, and as elected officers nationally or at the affiliate level in AAFCS for this decade and beyond. Focusing on new leaders, the Academy will address competencies needed for assessing one’s attributes and skills in Leading Yourself, Leading Others, and Leading AAFCS. Seasoned leaders will serve as mentors. For more information visit <http://www.aafcs.org/developmentcenter/leadershipacademy.asp>

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