

# CODE OF CONDUCT



## ATTENDANCE CRITERIA

To be eligible to attend Utah DECA sponsored events, and National DECA events, students must be a registered and paid member of DECA.

DECA Inc Board of Directors has specified that there be a minimum of one adult advisor for every eight high school DECA members for overnight trips. For one-day conferences and events, Utah DECA will follow the policy set by each district for the number of advisors needed per student attendees. Advisors/chaperones must register for the conference, pay the registration fee, and be in attendance the entire period of the conference. There are no restrictions on the number of adult advisors who may attend.

## DECA MEMBER CONDUCT

I agree to the following rules and policies:

1. There shall be no defacing of public property. Any damages to any property or furnishings in buildings must be paid by the individual or chapter responsible.
2. Advisors will be kept informed of student activities and whereabouts at all times.
3. Participants must wear identification badges at all times.
4. Participants shall refrain from using inappropriate or profane language at all times.
5. Delegates shall refrain from written, verbal, physical or electronic activities that may lead to harassment, hazing, bullying or damaging property.
6. The use of any harassment against anyone on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, ancestry, age, gender, sexual orientation or disability is prohibited.
7. Participants shall respect the rights and safety of other guests.
8. Participants shall be in their assigned rooms and quiet at curfew. Curfew times are not subject to debate and must be strictly adhered to. Students who are aware of other students who have violated curfew must report those students to their chapter advisor. Failure to report is considered a violation of curfew.
9. No alcoholic beverages, tobacco, narcotics or weapons in any form shall be possessed by participants at any time, under any circumstances.
10. Participants shall be prompt and prepared for all activities.
11. Participants are required to attend all general sessions and assigned activities.
12. The dress code noted in the conference registration materials will be in effect at all times.
13. Casual wear will be acceptable during social functions and at designated times during the conference.

14. Participants are not allowed to enter hotel rooms of the opposite gender.
15. Curfew will be enforced. Curfew means that the participant is in he/his assigned rooms.
16. Chapters will be responsible for participants' conduct.
17. Disrespect to any school, state, or conference/hotel official will not be tolerated. Disrespect will be grounds for immediate removal from the conference.
18. Participants ignoring or violating any of the above rules will be subject to disqualification and may be sent home immediately at participant's expense.

### **NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY**

DECA Inc. and Utah DECA are committed to creating and maintaining a healthy and respectful environment for all of our students. Our philosophy is to ensure all members, regardless of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, sexual orientation, or socio-economic status, are treated equally and respectfully. Any behavior in the form of discrimination, harassment or bullying will not be tolerated. It is the responsibility of all members to uphold and contribute to this climate.

### **DRESS CODE**

Professional appearance is an important aspect of the overall preparation of DECA members for the business world. To that end, DECA supports a dress code for its career-based functions that exemplifies the highest standards of professionalism.

Professional dress should also be worn to all competition events and conferences, unless stated otherwise.

#### Professional Dress

- Dress slacks or dress skirt or business dress, or suit
  - Blazers optional at State Conferences required at ICDC
- Collared shirt and appropriate neckwear, dress sweater or dress blouse
- Dress shoes
- All skirts and dresses must be at or below the knee.
- For a more polished, professional appearance, it is recommended that attendees wear appropriate hosiery/socks.

#### Business Casual

- Casual slacks, blouse or shirt, socks and casual shoes

#### Casual

- Jeans and t-shirt

**UTAH DECA RELEASE FORM**  
**FALL LEADERSHIP**  
**SEPTEMBER 18, 2024**  
**THANKSGIVING POINT**



Circle One:    Student            Advisor            Chaperone            Guest

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ School/Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Health Insurance Company: \_\_\_\_\_ Policy Number: \_\_\_\_\_

List special medical concerns: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent's Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

This is to certify that the above named participant has my permission to attend the 2024 Utah DECA Fall Leadership Conference. I also do hereby absolve and release the school officials, the chapter advisors, and the assigned state staff from any claims for personal injuries that might be sustained while he/she is inroad to and from or during this activity or any event held during the Utah DECA State Conference. I authorize the advisor and or state official to act as my agent to secure the services of a dentist, physician or hospital and to incur the expenses for necessary services in the event of accident or illness, and I will provide for payment of these costs.

I, as a parent or guardian of the above named student, fully authorize and grant Utah DECA and its authorized representatives, the right to print, photograph, record, and edit as desired, the name, image, likeness, and/or voice of the above named pupil on audio, video, film, slide, or any other electronic and printed formats, for the purpose of increasing public awareness and improvement of Utah DECA through the use of social media, displays, websites, etc.

**(Parent/guardian initials)** \_\_\_\_\_

We have read and agree to abide by the code of conduct. We also agree that the state officials and the chapter advisors have the right to send the above named participant home from the activity at the parent/guardian expense provided he/she has violated the Code of Conduct and/or his/her conduct has become a detriment to themselves or other participants. We also agree that the participant may be grounded to a specific area or from specific activities if it is not feasible to send them home.

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Utah DECA Member Signature

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Date

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date

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Principal Signature

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Date

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Chapter Advisor Signature

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Date