

State Officer Candidate Agreement

Deadline: January 26, 2012
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Purpose:

Becoming an Oregon DECA state officer requires a commitment on the part of all parties concerned. In order to make that commitment, each party must understand their responsibility to this leadership training experience. In order for a candidate to be eligible for office, all parties indicated *must* sign this agreement. State officer candidates should understand that, if elected, attendance at the following state officer meetings and activities is mandatory and that failure to attend any of these meetings will result in their removal from office, with the exception of emergencies/unsafe traveling conditions. College entrance exams (i.e., ACT, SAT) are not sufficient reasons to miss part or all of a scheduled state officer activity. If elected, state officers are responsible for scheduling these exams on dates other than those listed below. State officer candidates should also understand that they may be removed from office if in the opinion of the Executive Director or Board of Trustees they fail to comply with state officer responsibilities and assignments or participate in activities/conduct that would reflect negatively on Oregon DECA or the state officer team.

If elected, the candidate agrees to:

1. Attest that, "I fully understand the responsibilities and obligations of the position I seek and, if elected, will carry them out to the very best of my ability. I further understand that if, in the opinion of the Executive Director or the Board of Trustees, I fail to fulfill my responsibilities and obligations of office, and/or I violate the Oregon DECA Participant Code of Conduct, I can be removed from office."
2. Maintain a GPA of 2.5 or better based on a 4.0 scale for each term/semester during their term of office.
3. Not engage in any illegal behavior or activities.
4. Attend and participate in **ALL** activities scheduled by the Executive Director, or the Executive Council of the Oregon Association of DECA including, but not limited to the following required scheduled activities:
 - **February 29, 2012** Transition Meeting (8:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.)
 - **April 6-8, 2012** POW Retreat, Portland
 - **July 31-August 2, 2012** Western Region Officer Training Camp (WROTC)
 - **August 15-17, 2012** Fall Planning Meeting, Portland
 - **November, 2012** Oregon Leadership Institute, TBD
 - **November/December** District Events
 - **December 6-7, 2012** SCDC Pre-Planning Meeting, Portland
 - **January 31-February 2, 2013** SCDC Planning Meeting, Portland
 - **February 22-26, 2013** Pre-Conference Planning & SCDC 2013, Portland

State officers are strongly encouraged to attend the following conferences:

International Career Development Conference (ICDC)

April 28-May 1, 2012
 Salt Lake City, Utah

Western Region Leadership Conference (WRLC)

Oregon DECA
 State Career Development Conference 2012

November 15-17, 2012
Seattle, Washington

Oregon DECA will pay all expenses for required activities. Non-required activities may be partially reimbursed upon approval of the Executive Director and Board of Advisors. Please note that while Oregon DECA pays most travel expenses, some extra expenses will be the responsibility of each state officer.

The Parent(s) and Candidate Agree To:

1. Authorize the release of scores received for the Officer Candidate Exam to the members and advisors of DECA.
2. Authorize Oregon DECA to use the picture, name, likeness (including video and audio recordings) of the candidate in Oregon DECA publications, during conference or on the Oregon DECA Web site.

The Parent(s) and Employer(s) Agree To:

1. Permit the candidate to participate in all scheduled Oregon DECA activities, state officer meetings, chapter visits and other official officer duties. (Please read the list above for required scheduled activities.)
2. If the student is elected, permit, and in the case of parents, authorize the student to visit Oregon schools and participate in Oregon DECA chapter activities for the purpose of conducting official DECA state officer business.
3. Encourage the candidate to take full benefit of the leadership development experience.
4. Attend any scheduled Oregon DECA activities when they so desire.

The Advisor(s) and All School Officials Listed Below Agree To:

1. Recommend for state office only those candidates who are qualified. (See information provided.)
2. Host meetings of the state officers upon request of the Executive Director.
3. Ensure the candidate's attendance at all Oregon DECA activities.
4. Permit the candidate to visit Oregon schools and participate in DECA chapter activities for the purpose of conducting official DECA state officer business.
5. Certify that the candidate has earned a GPA of 2.5 (4.0 base) or better for the term preceding the election and that officer maintains this during their term of office.
6. Read the Candidate Agreement and Participant Code of Conduct and discuss its implications with the candidate.

Candidate Signature¹

Date

Chapter Advisor Signature

Date

¹ If you change schools, jobs and/or sports at anytime during your state officer year and signatures above are not complete and current; this document must be signed again and resent to Oregon DECA.

Parent Signature

Date

High School Principal Signature

Date

High School Guidance Counselor Signature

Date

Athletic Coach(es) Signature

Date

Employer(s) Signature

Date

Employer's Company