Ohio DECA Newsletter

NOVEMBER 2026 - VOLUME III



26-27 Membership:

Members - 7,135
Advisors - 135
Alumni - 115
Professional - 31
Total - 7,416

UPCOMING OHIO DATES

NOVEMBER
- *Nov. 15 - Initial Membership DUE*
- *Nov. 16 - DECA Day @ Cavs*

DECEMBER
- *Dec. 1 - District 2 Comp.*
- *Dec. 8 - District 1 Comp.*
- *Dec. 8 - 9 - District 6/12/13 Comp.*
- *Dec. 10 - District 7 Comp.*
- *Dec. 11 - District 8 Comp.*
- *Dec. 15 - District 11 Comp.*
- *Dec. 18 - 20 Page Pre-Reg. DUE*

UPCOMING NAT'L DATES

NOVEMBER
- *Nov. 20 - 22 - DECA Power Trip*

DECEMBER
- *Dec. 1 - Chapter Campaigns DUE*
- *Dec. 1 - SBE Certification Open*
- *Dec. 2 - SEM Conference Reg. DUE*

DAYS TO SCDC:
105

DAYS TO ICDC:
158

STATEWIDE HIGHLIGHTS

DISTRICT 4 FALL EVENT - OCT. 22

On Thursday, October 22nd members from District 4 participated in their annual Fall Mock Competition to prepare students for District Competition on January 12th.

Participating Chapters: Beavercreek, Kettering Fairmont I, Kettering Fairmont II, Ohio Hi Point Graham I, Ohio Hi Point Graham II, Northmont, Northridge Local, Ohio Hi Point Triad and Urbana.





TEAM 83 BRAVES GIVING - OCT. 24

The Ohio DECA State Officer Team had the opportunity to attend Braves Giving, this year's largest fundraising event for its chosen nonprofit! Throughout the event, officers networked, heard inspiring keynote speakers, and experienced an incredible evening centered around the theme of butterflies. Inspired by the message of the butterfly effect, we challenge everyone in Ohio DECA to go out and do something kind. Even the smallest acts of kindness can create a ripple effect and make a bigger impact than you may ever realize.





DECA DAY WITH COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS #2 - NOV. 3

Our second DECA Day with the Columbus Blue Jackets took place on Tuesday, November 3rd! Over 400 DECA members were able to skate on the ice, get a tour of the Nationwide Arena, and ask questions of HR, Marketing and Sales Blue Jackets Staff Members.

Participating Schools: Bucyrus I, Bucyrus II, Fairfield Union, Gahanna-Lincoln, Granville, Groveport Madison I, Groveport Madison II, Great Oaks Sycamore I, Great Oaks Sycamore II, Ohio Hi Point Graham, Ohio Hi Point Indian Lake, Olentangy, Reynoldsburg, and Upper Sandusky.

TEAM 83 CONNECT CALLS #1 - NOV. 4

The Ohio DECA Team 83 State Officers conducted their first **Connect Call** on November 4th @ 7:00PM. This call focused on **DECA Month Trivia** in each participants engaged in answering various questions related to November's DECA Month. In addition, this is an awesome way for members to further engage with our **Team 83 State Officers.** New for this year - participating members who attend **4** of the **6 Connect Calls** will receive a special ribbon during CDC!

Attend the next Connect Call on November 18th!



UPCOMING EVENTS

DECA CHAPTER CAMPAIGNS - DUE DEC. 1

If your chapter is interested in making submissions for DECA's annual Chapter Campaigns - the deadline for is December 1. This applies to the Membership, Promotional, Community Service and Innovatons & Entrepreneurship Campaigns. Make sure your chapter understands the new Adobe Express requirements. Each Thrive spots at ICDC for your chapter's participation! Chapter's interested in making submissions should visit **www.deca.org/campaigns** for more details.

NEXT BIG THING DECA

INVEST STUDENT CHALLENGE - DEC. 7

On December 7th, the submission entry portal opens for the annual Invest Student Challenge opens! This is an additional opportunity outside of DECA's Competitive Events for members to participate. This year's challenge is entitled *Innovation in Action: Help Next Gen Discover Their Insurance Path*.
Visit ohioinsurancecareers.org/resource/invest-challenge/ for more details!!

20 PG PREPARED EVENT PRE-REG. - DEC. 18

New this year as part of the annual submission of 20 Page Prepared Written Events that advance directly to CDC, chapter's will be required to **pre-register** their participants for these events in advance of the conference. No additions or changes (outside of approved substitutions per the Statewide Substitution Policy) will be accepted. **All chapters must submit their pre-registration by Friday, December 18th @ 5:00PM.** Additional details and instructions on this process will be shared with advisors at the **November 17th Meeting**.



DECA DAY @ OSU BASKETBALL - JAN. 26

DECA's annual Day with Ohio State Basketball is back! This year's day will take place on Tuesday, January 26th against the Iowa Hawkeyes. Activities include a tour and Industry Panel with OSU Athletics Staff Members and a ticket to the game!
The deadline for chapters to participate is **January 5th**. Interested chapters should complete the ticket order form and submit it along with any questions to **Josh Ostrander at ostrander.41@osu.edu.**

ATTEND TEAM 83 CONNECT CALLS!



*CALL LINK IN IG BIO

Hello Ohio DECA,

My name is Sarah Johnston, and I have the honor of serving as this year's Public Relations State Officer. I attend Ross High School, where I am a Senior and the President of our DECA chapter. Outside of DECA, I am a captain of the Ross soccer team, run cross country and track, and serve as class president.
As the Ohio DECA Public Relations State Officer, my Impact Goal is membership, with a focus on growing and strengthening our Instagram presence. My goal is to increase engagement and reach 5,000 followers.

So, if you're reading this and don't already follow Ohio DECA on Instagram, make sure to do so! Beyond boosting engagement, I want Ohio DECA's Instagram to highlight real members and chapters from across the state. If you or your chapter ever have something you'd like featured on the account, please DM the Ohio DECA Instagram account.

Throughout November, you've most likely seen lots of DECA posts. That's because it's Ohio DECA Month! Each year, DECA challenges chapters and associations to post daily following the Ohio DECA Month calendar. This is an awesome way to boost engagement and showcase everything DECA has to offer. When you or your chapter posts, make sure to use **#OhioDECAMonth** and tag **@OhioDECA**.

Please give the Ohio DECA Instagram a follow to stay updated on everything happening across the state. If you ever want to share ideas or have something you'd like featured, feel free to DM the Ohio DECA Instagram account or email me at **sjohnston@ohiodeca.org**.

I look forward to connecting with you and seeing all the amazing things your chapters accomplish this year!

STATE OFFICER SPOTLIGHT:



Sarah Johnston
PR Representative
Butler Tech Ross

WELCOME NEW CHAPTERS!!

John Marshall High





LARGEST MEMBERSHIPS

1.) Great Oaks Indian Hill II - 212
2.) Great Oaks Sycamore II - 212
3.) Great Oaks Harrison I - 192
4.) Butler Tech - DRL - 188
5.) Great Oaks Princeton - 181
6.) Great Oaks West Clermont - 180
7.) Great Oaks Mt. Healthy - 177
8.) Great Oaks Sycamore I - 164
9.) Great Oaks Milford - 156
10.) Great Oaks Goshen - 151

ACTIVE OHIO DECA CHAPTERS

Akron East Comm. I - Akron East Comm. III - Akron North - Auburn Career - Beavercreek - Bellefontaine - Bucyrus I - Bucyrus II - Butler Tech Colerain - Butler Tech DRL - Butler Tech Edgewood - Butler Tech Hamilton - Butler Tech Northwest - Butler Tech Ross - Carey - Centerville - Clay - Cleveland Heights - Defiance Senior - EHOVE Career - Fairfield Local - Fairfield Union - Firestone - Fitch - Fostoria - Four Cities Compact - Gahanna Lincoln - Glenoak Business - Granville - Great Oaks Anderson - Great Oaks Batavia - Great Oaks Blanchester - Great Oaks Finneytown - Great Oaks Goshen - Great Oaks Harrison I - Great Oaks Harrison II - Great Oaks Indian Hill I - Great Oaks Indian Hill II - Great Oaks Mariemont I - Great Oaks Mariemont II - Great Oaks Milford - Great Oaks Mt. Healthy - Great Oaks North College Hill - Great Oaks Princeton - Great Oaks Sycamore I - Great Oaks Sycamore II - Great Oaks Taylor - Great Oaks Washington Sr. - Great Oaks West Clermont - Great Oaks Wyoming - Groveport Madison I - Groveport Madison II - Heath - John Marshall - John R. Buchtel Comm. - Kent Roosevelt I - Kent Roosevelt II - Kettering Fairmont I - Kettering Fairmont II - Lake - Lancaster - Lima Senior I - Lima Senior II - Maple Heights - Marion Harding I - Marion Harding II - Massillon Washington - Meadowbrook - Mentor I - Mentor II - Millstream Career I - Millstream Career II - Napoleon - Newark - Northern Career - Northmont - Northridge Local - Ohio Hi Point Graham I - Ohio Hi Point Graham II - Ohio Hi Point Indian Lake - Ohio Hi Point Marysville - Ohio Hi Point Triad - Olentangy - Olentangy Berlin - Olentangy Liberty - Olentangy Orange - Ottawa Hills - Parma Normandy I - Parma Valley Forge II - Penta Career - Penta Anthony Wayne - Penta Bowling Green - Penta Maumee - Penta Oak Harbor - Penta Perrysburg - Pickaway Ross Career Tech - Pickerington North - Port Clinton - Reynoldsburg - Saint Marys Memorial - Sandusky - St. Clairsville - Strongsville - Tallmadge - Toledo E.L. Bowsher - Toledo Roy C. Start II - Toledo Roy C. Start IV - Trotwood Madison - Upper Sandusky - Urbana - Waite - Western Brown I - Western Brown II - Westerville Central - Westerville South - Whitmer - Withrow University - Woodward - Xenia

***ACTIVATED AS OF NOVEMBER 9**

MESSAGE FROM THE STATE ADVISOR:

Hello Ohio DECA Members and Advisors!

As we head into the holiday season, and for many Districts - Competitive Event season, I encourage all members to use this time wisely to prepare. Putting in the time early to set yourself apart from the competition can really make the difference in helping you qualify for the **State Career Development Conference**. For those chapters who have students participating in the straight to CDC **20 Page Written** events, please be aware of the new procedures this year for the pre-registration process. I will be sharing details with Advisors on this new process at our **November 17th** meeting, and those members who are not registered by the **December 18th** deadline will be unable to participate in those event.

I also encourage all members to participate in the upcoming **Team 83 State Officer Connect Calls.** These are great opportunities to connect with other members from across Ohio, while also engaging with our State Officer Team!

Drew Goldfinger

