



2024-2025 Ohio DECA Pin Design Contest

- Purpose** Develop a design that will be produced into trading pins for Ohio DECA at the International Career Development Conference.
- Eligibility** Any Ohio DECA student member or team of student members may enter this event; however, each chapter may only submit **one** design.
- Specifications**
1. Member or team must incorporate the annual DECA Inc. theme, “Be The One”:
 - a. Design **must** include the words “Ohio” and “2025”.
 - b. The title of the national theme **does not** have to appear in the design.
 - c. Designs should be in color and in any shape; there is no color limit.
 - d. Designs may be one-piece, multiple pieces and/or lighted.
 2. The member or team may enlist the help of others in producing a digitally created design.
 3. The dimensions of the design must not exceed 2" x 2". It is recommended that you use 300 dpi.
 4. The design **MUST** be saved in a JPEG (.jpg) format, all other formats will be **disqualified**.
 5. Contestant’s name(s) **may not** appear anywhere on the design.
- Copyright**
- **All images must be licensed for commercial use and be accompanied by a works cited page.**
 - All written and design materials must follow the [DECA Inc. Brand Guide](#) in proper use of the DECA logo, organization name, etc. They must also adhere to all copyright and fair use guidelines.
 - **No registered trademarks or names may be used in accordance with DECA Inc.’s policy to comply with all state and federal copyright laws.** Although a work may be freely accessible on the Internet and contain no statement of copyright, copyright law provides that such works are protected. Contestants must assume that works are protected by copyright until they learn otherwise. **Contestants will be disqualified for copyright violations.**
- Entry Information** A digital copy of the design (.jpg) and Works Cited must be submitted through the [online submission form](#) by **November 1, 2024 at 11:59pm.**
- No changes can be made to the design after submission.
 - Submitted designs become the property of Ohio DECA (the winning pin may be modified or adapted when produced by Ohio DECA.)
- Selection**
- Online voting for submitted and approved designs will take place November 4th-8th, 2024 (one vote per registered student member).
 - The winning design will be announced by the Ohio DECA State Officer team via social media by November 12th, 2024.
 - The winning design member or team’s chapter will be awarded a \$75 prize.