

# Memorandum

To: Dr. Joseph Sawyer  
From: Todd Bazydlo  
Date: March 19, 2024  
Re: DECA International Career Development Conference

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This memo serves as a formal request for approximately fourteen members of the SHS DECA Club to travel to Anaheim, California to attend the DECA International Career Development Conference (ICDC). Most DECA events will take place at the Anaheim Convention Center (ACC) or the Anaheim Marriott (AM).

The DECA ICDC is the culmination of the DECA year. At Internationals, more than 22,000 high school students, teachers/advisors, business professionals, and alumni gather for several days of DECA excitement. DECA members demonstrate their college and career ready knowledge and skills by participating in DECA's industry-validated Competitive Skills Program, aligned with Career Clusters, National Curriculum Standards and 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills in the areas of marketing, finance, hospitality, management, and entrepreneurship.

Students will be staying at Embassy Suites Anaheim South, 11767 Harbor Blvd., Garden Grove, CA. A van has been rented to provide transportation to and from the airport and local travel. Also, DECA will furnish shuttles to and from the Convention Center/Anaheim Marriott throughout the conference.

Students will provide their own transportation to Logan Airport International Airport (BOS). Students and chaperones will fly via American Airlines:

- 4/26/24 #AA1633 Departing BOS at 6pm EST and arriving at Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) at 9:38pm PST.
- 5/1/24 #AA1240 Departing LAX at 7:56am PST and arriving at Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport (DCA) at 3:55pm EST.
- 5/1/24 #1745 Departing DCA at 5:15pm EST and arriving at BOS at 6:51pm EST.

The cost of the trip is approximately \$1,600 per person which includes the registration fee, airfare, and hotel. Breakfast will be provided at the hotel but students must cover lunch and dinner, as well as their entertainment expenses. Students must wear a DECA blazer while competing at a cost of \$80 per person. This cost will be covered by DECA Club. Students are currently fundraising to help defray the overall cost of the trip.

Students will travel with Mr. Jason Andreola, SHS teacher and DECA advisor, and another chaperone, yet to be determined. Overnight permission slips and medical forms will be secured. All paperwork including fieldtrip permission/release forms and final roster of participants will be maintained at the high school in accordance with School Committee Policy.

Thank you for your consideration.