



Program of Work
July 1, 2016- June 30, 2017
Joyce Kemp, Executive Director

1. STATE & NATIONAL CONFERENCES

Fall Leadership/Financial Literacy Conference- October 6 at the DoubleTree, Burlington, VT
The Ultimate DECA Power Trip- November 18-20, Washington, DC
New York Experience - Nov. 30-Dec. 3 or December 7-10, 2016, New York, NY
Sports & Entertainment Marketing Conference - January 25-29, Orlando, FL
VT Career Development Conference – February 10, UVM/Davis Center, Burlington, VT
International Career Development Conference – April 26-29, Anaheim, CA

The DECA Executive Action Team, along with their Executive Director, will meet regularly to plan and implement the administrative duties of executing these conferences. We will keep in continuous correspondence via email, telephone, website and face-to-face meetings.

ALIGNMENT WITH INDUSTRY STANDARDS AND PROGRAM COMPETENCIES

All State and National competitions are aligned with industry standards, both Vermont and National.

Testing and competencies are developed through the MBA Curriculum and Research Center in Columbus, Ohio.

National DECA Executives serve on the National Retail Association and the National Hotel & Hospitality boards to stay current with industry standards. They bring these standards back and align them with our national competencies.

In turn, DECA Advisors should align their curriculum to teach these areas.

Assessment:

- Survey at state conference
- Information about where to find alignment info on website
- Listing of all competitions

2. MEMBERSHIP

Goal: Increase membership by adding at least 1 chapter, 3 alumni and 1 professional member.

Rationale: There are many high schools in Vermont where students are studying marketing, finance, hospitality or management. VT DECA's membership only consists of 8 chapters with approximately 150 members.

Actions:

Membership drive will begin at the Fall Leadership Conference and will pick up during DECA Month (November).

Fall Leadership Conference brochures emailed to both current DECA Chapters and several schools not currently enrolled with a DECA Chapter.

VT Leadership Team will visit 2 schools currently without DECA chapters to promote DECA

The Executive Director will create a campaign inviting local business professionals to join.

Assessment:

- New chapter and an increase in membership



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3. LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Goal: Build and assist with comprehensive chapter leadership.

Rationale: Every DECA student should have the opportunity to be exposed to leadership development throughout the year.

Actions:

Schedule leadership workshop(s) for all students during the Vermont State Career Development conference and/or the Fall Leadership Conference.

Participate in any general CTSO chapter leadership workshops

Inform and promote running for state action team positions.

Implement a state officer training follow-up in May, after the ICDC officer training.

Schedule & implement meetings with the chapter presidents to promote involvement and communication.

Assessment:

Minutes of meetings

Promotional emails/brochures/information

Program indicating speaker

Photos

4. CAREER DEVELOPMENT

Goal: Bring awareness to careers in finance, entrepreneurship, marketing, hospitality and management.

Rationale: In accordance with the DECA mission statement, Vermont DECA will provide opportunities for students to learn about the potential career opportunities in the career disciplines as they relate to Vermont.

Actions:

Create a Fall Conference that enhances the fields of finance, hospitality, marketing, management and entrepreneurship.

Recognize successful alumni in a presentation at the Fall Leadership Conference.

Plan and implement the 2017 State Career Development Conference (VT SCDC) to be held in February.

Possible Assessment:

Promotional emails/brochures/information

VT SCDC Program

5. LOCAL ADVISOR SKILLS

Goal: Provide local Chapter Advisors with tools and resources to communicate information effectively to manage their chapters.

Actions:

Executive Director will meet with all the advisors on a regular basis to:

Review the 2016-2017 POW/goals and promote chapter/advisor involvement

Evaluate and implement ideas of local advisors

Provide resources and opportunities for professional development



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Possible Assessment:

Minutes of meetings
Vermont DECA website resources

6. COMMUNICATIONS

Goal: To maintain communication between state and chapters.

Actions:

Create, distribute and update contact list of Executive Action Team, Chapter Presidents and Chapter Advisors.
Develop a cohesive social media plan that includes Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and a functional website.

Possible Assessment:

Listing of State Action Team individual responsibilities
Database of chapter presidents and advisors
Website
Social Media Plan

7. CONNECTIONS WITH EMPLOYERS

Goal: Develop and implement partnerships between VT DECA and Vermont employers.

Actions:

Recruit local business owners and employees from industries to be judges at our state conference.
Connect with alumni who are working in the business world and invite them to join our alumni group.
Encourage the businesses to obtain a professional membership.
As part of the membership plan, local business professionals will receive a brochure inviting them to join.
Vermont DECA Community Partner Award to recognize businesses who support Vermont DECA.

Possible Assessment:

Database of judges to include business, role in business, contact information, event judged
Database of alumni contact information
Promotional brochures

8. INTEGRATING CTSO ACTIVITIES/EVENTS WITH CTE PROGRAMMING

Goal: All CTSO activities at the local, state and national level should be considered co-curricular under VT CTE Guidelines; therefore, this goal would be achieved by implementing all other actions in POW.

Actions:

Executive Director will provide resources and opportunities for professional development

Possible Assessment:

Plan for professional Development
List of Professional Development resources



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9. CONNECTIONS WITH NATIONAL CTSO EVENTS

Goal: To provide chapters with the resources available from DECA Inc.

Actions:

Disseminate information received at CAM so that chapters can plan their year and be aware and involved in national initiatives.

Act as the liaison between National DECA and local chapter advisors.

Provide a list of resources on the Vermont DECA website

Possible Assessment:

Minutes of meetings

Website Resources

10. BUDGET

Goal: To develop and implement a fiscally responsible budget that meets the needs of VT DECA.

Actions:

The Executive Director will approve financial receipts and the accounting manager will process all payments.

The fiscal day-to-day accounting responsibilities will be maintained by:

Franklin Central S.U.

28 Catherine St., St. Albans, VT 05478

Contact: Martha Gagner, phone 802-524-2600.

Financial reports are presented at each advisor meeting.

An annual audit and financial report will be available to inform each member of the sources of income and distribution/uses of funds.

Salaries for Executive Director and other contracted employees will be made available through grant funding.

The fiscal year of DECA will be July 1st – June 30th.