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Why did you choose to be a member of DECA?

I chose to become a DECA member because I wanted to learn more about the Business field. Mr. Holland, my advisor, and my cross country coach, encouraged me to join DECA as he thought it may be a good fit. I am very thankful for the recommendation and love participating in DECA.

What do you like best about being a state officer for North Dakota DECA?

I think my favorite part about being a state officer is being able to help in the organization and planning of the state and fall leadership conferences. Getting to participate in these things has really helped me find not only my leadership style but also my ability to overcome all kinds of challenges.

What do you like best about being a member of DECA?

My favorite part about being a member in DECA has been being able to truly grow my business skills. There is no doubt in my mind that without DECA, I would not be the person I am. This organization has given me so many opportunities to truly excel and grow into a real business person. I feel ready to take on anything that comes my way.

Have you had any unique opportunities because of your DECA experience?

DECA has provided me countless opportunities, but the best and most memorable experiences for me have been attending ICDC the last two years. Being able to travel across the country with a huge group of some of my best friends has been nothing short of amazing. It has also allowed me to meet a huge number of really amazing people that I may have never met otherwise.

What organizations or athletic activities do you participate in?

Since my freshman year, I have participated in numerous sports and clubs at Davies High School. For sports, I participate in Track and Field, and I am the captain of the Cross Country team. I also participate in the National Honor Society, Science Olympiad, and the Davies Student Council.

How have these activities enhanced your high school experience or your college plans?

All of these activities have influenced me in so many ways, but the two most influential programs for me has been Track and DECA. Track has really taught me hard work and dedication. Through all of the training and racing, I have learned it takes hard work to truly be successful. As for DECA, this organization has completely changed my direction in college. Coming into my freshman year, I was dead set on following a medical career pathway; after joining DECA, that completely changed and I have decided I will pursue a career in business.

What is your favorite color?

My favorite color is blue.

What are your plans after graduation?

After graduating high school, I am currently planning on enrolling at Indiana University – Bloomington in the fall of 2019, while pursuing a double major in Entrepreneurship and International Business and a minor in a foreign language. Following my college education, I will either pursue further professional education or begin my career in the fortune 500 corporate pathway, where I hope to work my way up the ranks to eventually run one of America's largest companies.

Which DECA chapters are you working with this year?

I am very excited to be working with Bismarck Legacy, Central Cass, Oakes, and West Fargo.

Do you have any pets?

I have one dog, who is half beshawn, half shiatsu, and named Briggs.



NAME: Haison Nguyen, Vice President

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Why did you choose to be a member of DECA?

I chose to become a DECA member because I was interested in Marketing and signed up for the class. Then I got introduced to DECA and I fell in love with what it does for its members and the values it stood for. The rest is history after that!

What do you like best about being a state officer for North Dakota DECA?

I like working with the other officers and accomplishing our goals together.

What do you like best about being a member of DECA?

I like being able to meet new people.

Have you had any unique opportunities because of your DECA experience?

I was able to go to Omaha and Atlanta for the first time because of DECA conferences.

What organizations or athletic activities do you participate in?

I am active in DECA, Student Council, Speech, PaY, and Band.

How have these activities enhanced your high school experience or your college plans?

These activities have helped me work on my communication skills as well as my leadership skills. It has helped me find what I love and has directed me into what I want to do in the future.

What is your favorite color?

Green.

What does personal service mean to you?

Personal service means being able to help out the community and making a big impact in areas that you are passionate about.

What are your plans after graduation?

I would like to attend college at the foster school of business in Seattle, Washington, with a double major in international business and business communications.

Which DECA chapters are you working with this year?

I am working with Northern Cass, Mandan, Devils Lake, and Valley City.

Do you have any pets?

No, I do not have any pets.

If you had the power to make anything happen this year, what would it be?

I would like to have every chapter membership increase by at least 50% and to have every chapter be active and participate through different activities throughout the school year.



NAME: Jack Dorsher, Vice President

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Why did you choose to be a member of DECA?

I chose to be a DECA member to become better prepared for my future and to meet people that have similar goals as I do that can help me to achieve those goals.

What do you like best about being a state officer for North Dakota DECA?

My favorite part of being a state officer is being a role model for new DECA members in North Dakota.

What do you like best about being a member of DECA?

I like how DECA provides so many opportunities for fun that also teach about leadership and professionalism.

Have you had any unique opportunities because of your DECA experience?

I have been able to travel across the country and meet tons of new people from around the world.

What organizations or athletic activities do you participate in?

Hockey, baseball, cross country, track and field, key club, band, pep band, jazz band, national honor society, FBLA, and Student Council.

How have these activities enhanced your high school experience or your college plans?

DECA has shown me what I am good at and what I'm not, leading me to a career path that seems right for me.

What is your favorite color?

Green

What does personal service mean to you?

Personal service means attentive and careful assistance, helping someone to the best of your ability.

What are your plans after graduation?

As of now my plans are to attend the University of Notre Dame to major in accounting.

Which DECA chapters are you working with this year?

I am working with Bottineau, Sheyenne (West Fargo), Wahpeton and Watford City.

Do you have any pets?

No, I do not have any pets.

If you had the power to make anything happen this year, what would it be?

If I could make anything happen this year it would be getting every single DECA member in North Dakota to actively participate in their chapters.



NAME: Ameena Jovonovich, Vice President

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Why did you choose to be a member of DECA?

I chose to become a member of DECA because of the opportunities and places students within my school got to experience. The complexity behind business had always interested me, and I thought DECA would be a great experience.

What do you like best about being a state officer for North Dakota DECA?

I love being able to meet, listen, and interact with new members, officers, and business professionals from around the state.

What do you like best about being a member of DECA?

The numerous travel opportunities and the creative, yet academic, outlet that competition allows you to put forth.

Have you had any unique opportunities because of your DECA experience?

Travelling to Indianapolis, Indiana, and Anaheim, California, for the first time!

What organizations or athletic activities do you participate in?

Student Council, State Student Council, FBLA, HOSA, and the Young Entrepreneurs Academy.

How have these activities enhanced your high school experience or your college plans?

These activities have allowed me to experience a more professional environment that has inspired me to work towards a career in business or law.

What is your favorite color?

Baby blue and purple are my favorite colors.

What does personal service mean to you?

Personal service means encouraging and believing in the leaders around you to create a positive environment that can foster your strengths and address your weaknesses to build the best version of yourself.

What are your plans after graduation?

Attend university and focus my studies around business, law, or economics.

Which DECA chapters are you working with this year?

I am excited to work with Napoleon, Fargo South, and Grafton-NVCTC.

Do you have any pets?

Sadly, no:(

If you had the power to make anything happen this year, what would it be?

Give fellow DECA members the resources, connections, and inspiration to embrace entrepreneurship and start their own business.



NAME: Kolten Reisenauer, Vice President

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Why did you choose to be a member of DECA?

I chose to become a DECA member because I have always wanted to own my own business in the future. I know that DECA is bringing me closer every day to my future goal.

What do you like best about being a state officer for North Dakota DECA?

My favorite part is being able to be a leader and also being able to improve North Dakota DECA overall.

What do you like best about being a member of DECA?

The best thing about being a DECA member is being granted great opportunities to prepare myself for the future.

Have you had any unique opportunities because of your DECA experience?

I have had plenty of cool opportunities due to DECA, which include being able to meet new people every year, being confident, being a leader, and also being able to go to cool ICDC places every year.

What organizations or athletic activities do you participate in?

I participate in DECA, National Honors Society, and wrestling.

How have these activities enhanced your high school experience or your college plans?

These activities have enhanced my college plans by getting scholarships in DECA and wrestling.

What is your favorite color?

My favorite color is red.

What does personal service mean to you?

What personal service means to me is the loyalty and the respect the volunteers have for the community in their own unique way.

What are your plans after graduation?

My plans after graduation is to attend a four-year university and get my business degree.

Which DECA chapters are you working with this year?

The DECA chapters I am working with this year are Century, Minot, Jamestown and Solen.

Do you have any pets?

Yes, I have two dogs named Sonny and Shadow.

If you had the power to make anything happen this year, what would it be?

I would like to be a leader in encouraging North Dakota DECA members and chapters do more Community Service activities every year. I am excited to help chapters throughout the year and see many of them recognized at the state conference in March.



NAME: Drew Brown, Vice President

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Why did you choose to be a member of DECA?

I chose to become a DECA member after taking the Sports and Entertainment class, I heard a lot about the traveling opportunities and a handful of my friends were in it.

What do you like best about being a state officer for North Dakota DECA?

I enjoy being able to work with my fellow officers, business professionals and North Dakota DECA members. I also really enjoy being able to plan the conferences and being able to make North Dakota DECA a better experience for its members.

What do you like best about being a member of DECA?

The travel experiences and being able to meet new people that have turned into lifelong friends.

Have you had any unique opportunities because of your DECA experience?

I was able to meet Doug Burgum (governor of North Dakota) during state training this summer. I was also able to hangout on the beach in Anaheim, California.

What organizations or athletic activities do you participate in?

I participate in DECA, Student Council, Philanthropy and Youth, Band, Tennis, Bruin Ambassadors, National Honor Society, and Metro Area Student Ambassadors.

How have these activities enhanced your high school experience or your college plans?

These activities have taught me how to become a leader, communicate with business professionals, and how to be part of a team. These clubs and organizations have prepared my pathway for my college plans.

What is your favorite color?

My favorite color is aqua.

What does personal service mean to you?

Personal Service means to help the community by simply volunteering.

What are your plans after graduation?

After graduation, I hope to be attending the University of Nebraska and major in Public Relations and Advertising and minor in Marketing

Which DECA chapters are you working with this year?

This year I am working with Bismarck High School, Fargo Davies, Grand Forks Central, and Williston.

Do you have any pets?

I don't have any pets, but I wish I had a pug named Gus.

If you had the power to make anything happen this year, what would it be?

I have a vision for chapters across the state to partner with businesses and to expand within the community to construct and carryout community service projects.



NAME: Abril Arce, Vice President

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Why did you choose to be a member of DECA?

I chose to become a DECA member because I liked the aspect of networking and being able to connect with business professionals while being able to compete and gain knowledge on how to better my skills for future job opportunities.

What do you like best about being a state officer for North Dakota DECA?

I love being able to have input that will hopefully better ND DECA and its members' experiences, and being able to meet many different business professionals. In addition, I love spending time with the officer team!

What do you like best about being a member of DECA?

I enjoy being able to focus on my career path through interactive projects and role plays, and I like being able to travel to new places and meet new people.

Have you had any unique opportunities because of your DECA experience?

I was able to travel to some of the best places and meet some of the best people! I was also able to kick-start a business alongside my friends, and start to implementing skills into my future career path.

What organizations or athletic activities do you participate in?

I'm involved in DECA, obviously... Also: Student Congress, Debate, Speech, Theatre, Track and Field, French Club, and Choir. I play the guitar, and I also love to do yoga!

How have these activities enhanced your high school experience or your college plans?

DECA has sparked my interest for marketing and has allowed me to explore the entrepreneurial community within the F-M Area. With this experience, I realized that business was the right fit for me and will continue to pursue it in college.

What is your favorite color?

Black.

What does personal service mean to you?

Personal service, to me, is any outreach activity that is done out of selflessness in order to help a cause you are passionate about.

What are your plans after graduation?

After graduation I hope to be attending University of Georgia-Athens, obtaining a major in Economics and International Business with a minor in Political Science. Additionally, after graduation, I hope to continue to grow Well-Being, a non-profit business that I was able to start with my fellow classmates, which battles the lack of water in underdeveloped countries in Africa.

Which DECA chapters are you working with this year?

This year I am excited to be working with Fargo North, Grand Forks Red River, Stanley High School, and Bismarck MRCTC.

Do you have any pets?

I do not have any pets but I wish I had a turtle! I like turtles.

If you had the power to make anything happen this year, what would it be?

I want a dance... or a general session karaoke! I also would love to be able to have a successful turnout for chapter and non-profit partnerships to better all of our communities.