



**Mattyson Ertelt** is a senior at Devils Lake High School and a fourth-year member of DECA at LACTC. She is the President of National Honor Society and the Secretary of SkillsUSA at her school. Her most memorable moment was meeting so many new people at ICDC in Orlando, Florida. She served a state vice president last year and brings that leadership to the next level this year. She plans to attend college and pursue a career in dentistry. Her parents are Matt and Amy Ertelt.



**Jackson Guthmiller** is a senior at Bismarck Century High School and a fourth-year member of DECA. Jackson enjoys spending time with family, friends, and working and playing golf. Jackson's favorite thing about DECA is all the people he has met at a state or national level. He enjoys competing, community service activities, and networking with others. After graduation, Jackson plans to attend Northern State University and get his doctorate in Chiropractics. His parents are Terry and Jennifer Guthmiller.



**Emery Holland** is a junior at Central Cass High School where she is a third-year DECA member. She is currently the captain of the Cross Country and Track team. She is involved in basketball, student council, and National Honor Society. Her favorite thing about DECA is all the people you can meet, and the amazing opportunities being involved in DECA brings. She enjoys competition and has qualified the past two years for national competition. Her parents are Jason and Mistie Holland.



**Regan Keller** is a senior at Jamestown High School and is a third-year DECA member. She is involved in DECA, Choir, Honors Choir, swimming and diving, National Honors Society, and Key Club. Her favorite part about DECA is talking to and meeting new friends! She is eager to see North Dakota membership and social media use increase this year. She plans to attend college and major in business and marketing. Her parents are Rob and Beth Keller.



**Aanya Kumar** is a senior at Bottineau High School where she is a fourth-year DECA member. Aanya is currently involved in FBLA, FCCLA, LifeSmarts, National Honor Society, student council, Math Club, and Science Club. DECA has helped her become a better leader and create deeper connections on a statewide level. She is a two-time state officer. Her future includes attending college, where she will major in Mechanical Engineering, with a minor in Business. Her mother is Alpa Patel.



**Parker Thoreson** is a junior at West Fargo High School. He is a third-year DECA member and involved in wrestling and cross country. His favorite DECA memory is seeing the woody drop at ICDC 2023 in Orlando. He plans to go to Iowa University and get a major in business, then continue onto law school. His parents are Chad and Jennifer Thoreson.



**Kaden Wass** is a senior at Devils Lake High School and a third-year member of DECA at LACTC. He is involved in speech, drama, art club, and National Honor Society. His favorite parts of DECA are meeting new people and learning new life skills. He enjoys the leadership and social aspects of DECA but also the community service piece that allows him to volunteer. He plans to attend college and pursue a career in education. His parents are Rod and Kathy Wass.