

Missouri Collegiate DECA State President Election



It takes a special individual to serve as an officer. Candidates must be organized, professional, eager to play their role and lead when called upon, strong communicators, and have initiative and high moral and ethical standards. Candidates must be ready to make Missouri Collegiate DECA a priority and be willing to dedicate 5 to 10 hours a month dedicated to their role's initiatives and responsibilities.

1. Submit the application and endorsement by **February 5, 2025** to:

Leslie Crider, Missouri Collegiate DECA State Advisor
leslie.crider@dese.mo.gov

2. You will be required to participate in a candidates' interviewing process which will be held on via zoom during the week of February 10th, 2025.
3. Deliver a brief statement (3-5 minutes maximum) to the delegation at the Opening General Session. The content of the message should include introductory information, reasons for interest in the position, qualifications, and describe your involvement in Collegiate DECA. You may use note cards.
4. At competition, you may use your time when you are not competing to meet with students on a one-on-one basis to share your personal brand and why you would like to be a State Officer.
5. After all candidates deliver his/her statement, voting delegates will cast their ballots for the State President. The candidate with the most votes will be the 2025-2026 President. The next two individuals receiving the highest number of votes that have stated willingness to serve as vice president shall be elected as vice presidents.



Missouri Collegiate DECA State President Application

Name _____

Home Address _____

Cell Phone _____

College _____ Advisor _____

E-mail address _____

Will you be able to serve the term of office for one school year? _____

Are you willing to attend the conferences listed below as a part of your responsibilities? _____

- State Career Development Conference Planning Meeting (Fall)
- High School Fall Leadership Conference, Branson, October 12th and 13th, 2025
- High School State CDC, Kansas City, March 22nd - 24th, 2026
- Collegiate DECA Engage Conference, City and Date TBA
- Collegiate State Career Development Conference (February)

Will you adhere to the conference guidelines and code of ethics in the Missouri Collegiate DECA Consent Form? _____

Will you clear any absences association with Missouri Collegiate DECA in advance with your instructors or employer? _____

Please provide one letter of recommendation from a professor or business professional. Attach the letter of recommendation to this application.

You will be interviewed via Zoom before State Career Development Conference. Should you be deemed an acceptable candidate, your name will be put on the ballot for voting on Friday. During the opening session, you will be asked to provide a campaign speech delivered in front of attendees so they may select the best candidates for the open officer positions.

Candidate's Signature

Date

Advisor's Signature

Date