

State Officer Candidate Application – Form 1: State Officer Candidate Acknowledgements

1. **Read carefully. Candidate signs Form 1, Advisor signs Form 2, Parent/Guardian signs Form 3, and Spouse (if applicable) signs Section D.**
2. **Return to State Office by February 20, 2026.**

FORM #1

As a candidate for the Kansas Association for DECA, High School Division Executive Council, I understand and agree...

1. that (*with the exception of the Regional Vice Presidents' positions*), the specific office to which I may be elected will be decided by the Voting Delegates, and that I will accept that decision,
2. that, if elected, as Regional Vice President, I will be responsible for hosting a regional competition,
3. that I will accept and fulfill the responsibilities of the office to which I may be elected, and that I will serve with dignity in order to promote a positive image for our National and State associations,
4. that official Association attire is required at all State Association, Competitions, and Executive Council meetings, and that I may have to purchase a DECA blazer if one is not available through my Chapter; and further, that I will purchase other items of official attire as decided by the Executive Council,
5. that my term of office, if elected, begins at the conclusion of the 2026 SCDC and concludes following the 2027 ICDC, and that I will attend all State Association and Executive Council meetings during that time including, but not limited to:
 - a. **International CDC**; April 26-29, 2026– Orlando, FL; (suggested, not required)
 - b. **Kansas CTSO State Officer Training**; June, 2026 - Topeka, Kansas – (Required for All Officers)
 - c. **K-ACTE Conference**; July, 2026 – Manhattan, KS – (Required for President and Vice President)
 - d. **Kansas DECA State Officer Retreat**– July 2026 – Manhattan, KS (Required for All Officers)
 - e. **Kansas DECA Fall Leadership Conference**; September/October, 2026 (Required for All Officers)
 - f. **Kansas Citizenship Day**; January, 2027 - Topeka, KS (Required for all Officers)
 - g. **Kansas DECA State CDC**; March 7-9, 2027 – Manhattan, KS (Required for All Officers)
 - h. **International CDC**; April 17-20, 2027, Anaheim, CA (suggested, not required)
6. that my expenses for lodging and some of my meals while attending State Association and Executive Council meetings will be paid by the State Association, but the expenses for transportation will be my financial responsibility. *The State Association does not offer financial assistance for ICDC.*
7. *that I will be expected to participate and to be actively engaged in monthly web-based meetings with the officer team and State Office.*
8. that I will conduct myself with honor and dignity, upholding the Kansas Delegate Conduct Rules at all times; and further, that I will conduct myself according to the policies and procedures of the school where I am currently a student,
9. that I will follow the “Expectations of State Officers” and the “State Officer Code of Ethics” located within the Appendix of the State Officer Candidate and Voting Delegate Handbook (*Revised January, 2019*).
10. that I may be asked to resign from office, should I fail to attend any of the above meetings (**See No. 5**) or fail to fulfill my official responsibilities.

Date _____

Candidate's Signature _____