



Welcome to Westwood DECA

*Monthly Meeting / State Competition
Feb 14 2018*

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Announcements

- JOIN State R101- Text 81010 - @whsstate18
- Fill out meal preference with Jason Deli for return trip (check email)
- Written Events – Hole Punched (Fri) 2 copies (1 Penalty/ 1 Judges)
- Wear our blue DECA T-shirts on Tuesday! Remember ID on Tuesday!
- Bon-bons candy – pick up Thurs / Fri Mr. Siler room (bring \$65)
- I need to know if you are arriving late or departing early (sign-in form)

Competition Eligibility

To compete, you **MUST** be passing all non-exempt UIL classes by the end of this grading period.

Please see Mr. Siler if you have questions regarding eligibility to compete or if you anticipate being ineligible.

Conference & Hotel Information

- Conference:

Sheraton Hotel / Conference Center (Downtown Dallas)

Main Ballroom (Lone Star Ballroom) – Opening / Closing Ceremonies

Grand Hall & various rooms – Role Plays

- Hotel:

Fairmont Hotel – (Downtown Dallas – 1717 N. Akard St)

Located 7 blocks from Sheraton (**Shuttle buses will be running continuously**)

Bus #s / Colors

- We will use colors and #s to identify the Buses:
 - You will be given colored ribbon for your luggage – please use it!
- Blue – Bus 1
- Red – Bus 2
- Yellow – Bus 3
- Green – Bus 4

State Agenda

- Tuesday – Travel / Check-in / Opening Ceremony (5pm - lobby)
- Wednesday – Competition Day / Casino Night
- Thursday – Award Ceremony / ICDC Meeting / Return (est 5pm)

Tues - Travel / Opening Ceremony

- Be here at **10am** (You will have assigned buses **DO NOT CHANGE Buses** - Bus list will be emailed & posted on school wall) - Wear your blue Westwood DECA T-shirt – Make sure and put ribbon on luggage!
- You will sign for \$49 – please note you will get \$42 (\$7 held - box lunch)
- We will stop en route (either Temple or Waco) – **return to same bus**
- **Be ready in DECA Dress at 5pm (will take shuttle to conference)**
- **Your badge will have your location – recon location while at Sheraton**

Wed - Competition / Casino Night

- Competition runs are various time (detailed agenda texasdeca.org)
- Your Badge has location and time of your role plays (DECA time is 15 min early)
- Some events may have 2 role plays (recon your location at Sheraton Tues nite)
- Plan ahead & take shuttle in advance
- Student Activities (Sheraton Lone Star Ballroom – 7pm-10pm)
- Be in your room by 10:50pm

Thurs - Load / Ceremony / Return

- Have Bags Packed –outside room at **7:15am** (Will need 10 volunteers to take bags down – will store them in special room downstairs)
- Meet in lobby at **8am** (will take Shuttle to Sheraton)
- Remain in DECA dress (We may take group pic)
- Take shuttle back to Fairmont, load bags, get box lunch, load **SAME** buses

Expectations / Rules (1 of 2)

- **Represent Westwood HS & our DECA Chapter well at all times!**
- We are in a city – use your judgment & be careful (must go in groups)!
- You can go in a 7 block radius of hotel (in groups only)
- **Cannot get on DART** (unless with parent or chaperone)
- Be in your room at 10:50pm every night (room checks start then)
- You will be “taped” in – room checks will be made thru out the night

Expectations / Rules (2 of 2)

- No boys/ girls in same hotel room at ANYTIME – we will be disqualified
- No Alcohol, Narcotics, or Tobacco Products! (Parents will come get u)
- DECA Dress needed 3 times – Opening /Closing Ceremony, Role Plays
- School Dress code at all other times (outside of room)
- Bring books, tablets, school work (a lot of downtime)

Food Options:

- Sheraton has a food court (go across a glass atrium & then go down to lower level)
- I have provided a list of options in the info packet
- Go in groups of 2 or more!

Please do not forget...

- Photo ID
- Presentation materials
- Phone charger
- Homework etc for downtime



Conclusions / Questions:

- Lets have a great, safe, conference full of learning
- My cell phone number is at the top of the info sheet – take it down for emergencies
- Questions?