

**PARENT PERMISSION
FOR
CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION**

_____, has my expressed permission to attend and participate in the DECA, Texas Association State Career Development Conference which will be held in Corpus Christi, Texas February 29-March 3, 2012.

I/We further agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Texas Association of DECA, the State DECA Board of Directors, the State Advisor of Texas DECA and any volunteer leaders for any harm which might befall the above named student. I/We understand that both prudent and reasonable care will be taken to ensure my child's safety and well-being.

I/We also give my/our expressed permission for the Chapter and/or State Advisor to seek emergency medical treatment, to include surgery, should such an emergency arise, for my/our child. I/We fully understand and agree to the above conditions and of the Conduct Practices & Procedures as indicated by my/our signature(s) below.

Parent(s)/Guardian(s): _____
Date: _____

My signature signifies that I have read and understand the conference Conduct Practices and Procedures and agree to abide by them. My Chapter Advisor has provided me with a copy to read.

Student Signature: _____
Date: _____

Teachers, bring this form with you to the conference for use in an emergency.

DELEGATE CONDUCT PRACTICES AND PROCEDURES

The Board of Directors for Texas DECA requires each delegate attending the State Conference to read and complete the **Attendance Permission Form** and return to the **chapter** DECA advisor as partial completion of attendance requirements. This form should be brought to the State CDC.

- The term “delegate” shall mean any DECA member, including advisors, attending conferences (high school, collegiate, alumni, and professional).
- There shall be no defacing of public property. Any damage to the property or furnishings in the hotel rooms or building must be paid for by the individual or chapter responsible.
- Delegates must wear identification badges and wristbands at all times.
- Delegates shall refrain from using inappropriate or profane language at all times.
- Delegates shall refrain from verbal, physical or sexual harassment, hazing or name-calling.
- Delegates shall respect the rights and safety of other hotel guests.
- Delegates shall not possess alcoholic beverages, narcotics or weapons in any form at any time under any circumstances. **Police will be called** if an illegal substance or weapon is found in the possession of any delegate.
- Delegates shall refrain from gambling—playing cards, dice or games of chance for money or other things of value.
- Use of tobacco products by delegates is prohibited at all DECA functions.
- Delegates must adhere to the dress code at all times.
- Delegates must not dress or behave in a manner than can be interpreted as sexually explicit.
- Students shall keep their adult advisors informed of their activities and whereabouts at all times.
- No delegate shall leave the hotel (except for authorized events) unless permission has been received from chapter and state advisors.
- Delegates should be prompt and prepared for all activities.
- Delegates should be financially prepared for all activities.
- Delegates are required to attend all sessions and activities assigned including workshops, competitive events, committee meetings, etc. for which they are registered unless engaged in some specific assignment scheduled at the same time.
- Delegates will spend nights at their assigned hotel and in their assigned room. No guests allowed during curfew hours. Delegates will be quiet at curfew.
- Curfew will be enforced. Curfew means the delegate will be in his/her assigned room at 11:00 pm.
- Chapter associations will be responsible for delegates’ conduct.
- Delegates ignoring or violating any of the above rules will subject their entire delegation to being unseated and their candidates or competitive events participants to being disqualified. Individual delegates may be sent home immediately at their own expense.
- Tasteful casual wear will be accepted during specific social functions as designated during orientation.