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## University of Minnesota Retirees Volunteer Center

### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY**

## **DECA Career Development Competition Events Judging**

**March 10-12, 2024**

**Hyatt Regency, Minneapolis MN**

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DECA Minnesota is a non-profit organization who co-curricular programs helps prepare high school students for college and careers in marketing, finance, business management, hospitality and tourism. DECA events are aligned with secondary school curriculum standards for career and technical education.

#### **Details of volunteer duties:**

Each year, DECA invites persons with business related backgrounds to serve as judges in series of competitive events.

Volunteers are needed as judges for:

- **Team Decision Making Events** – Team Decision Making events are designed for a team of two participants who work together to solve a problem or develop a plan to present to senior management (the judge). The judge or pair of judges evaluates the student presentation, and their response to questions.
- **Individual Series Events** – Judges take part in a role-playing situation with the high school student to evaluate how well the student demonstrates different marketing competencies.
- **Written Events** – A judge working with a research project may either evaluate the written portion or the presentation portion regarding a marketing research or business plan that the student team has developed.

#### **Dates, Times, and locations:**

**Typical Judging Shifts** will take approximately 3-4 hours beginning at 8 a.m. More information will be provided by DECA once registered. Volunteers are welcome to indicate what shift lengths works best for their schedule and to sign up for a few hours or the entire day.

**Dates:** This year's DECA state competition events for high school students will be held at the State Career Development Conference from March 10 – 12, 2024.

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**Location:** The Hyatt Regency, 1300 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis, MN 55403

**Volunteer Eligibility and Training Requirements:** Volunteer judges will receive a brief orientation when they arrive.

**Parking/Transportation:** Parking is PAID FOR BY DECA if you park in the Loring Ramp located at 1300 Nicollet Ave, Minneapolis, MN 55403.

**Volunteers' food/beverage available:** Volunteers are provided with a continental breakfast and lunch, coffee, and water.

*\*Please indicate at registration whether you are a URVC/UMRA volunteer.*



**Deadline for volunteer application: IMMEDIATE**

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**To register for this activity**

Click on the following link to register:  
[DECA State Career Development Judge Application](#)

You may also contact the University Retirees Volunteer Center,  
by email (preferred) at [URVC@UMN.EDU](mailto:URVC@UMN.EDU)  
or by phone at 612-625-8016

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