

# ICDC Chapter Officer Toolkits

With ICDC right around the corner, it's important that both competitive and non-competitive members are prepared for the upcoming conference! Check out this toolkit to learn about competitive tips, logistics, and the official itinerary for ICDC.

## ICDC Packet:

<https://issuu.com/decainc/docs/deca-23-icdc-schedule?fr=sYTMwZjU3NzgoNTg>

## Supporting Competitive Members:

Supporting your local chapter's competitive students for the next few weeks is crucial to get them prepared for ICDC! Here are a few ways and resources members can be supported.

## Competitive ToolKits:

Last year, the state officer team put together a comprehensive list of tips and advice that members can utilize when preparing for competition. There are three toolkits members can use: a Written Toolkit, a Roleplay Toolkit, and a Testing/Online Events Toolkit on the toolkit website. To access the toolkit, visit <https://leadable.info/cadecacomptoolkit>. The website is accessible to all students, so make sure to utilize it to your best advantage!

Additionally, there are PDF toolkits that the current state officers have updated. Down below are the links to each toolkit:

- Roleplays toolkit:  
<https://californiadeca.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/ROLEPLAY-TOOLKIT.docx.pdf>
- Writtens toolkit:  
<https://californiadeca.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/WRITTEN-TOOLKIT.docx.pdf>
- Online events toolkit:  
<https://californiadeca.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/ONLINE-EVENTS-TOOLKIT.docx.pdf>
- Testing toolkit:  
<https://californiadeca.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/TESTING-TOOLKIT.docx.pdf>

## Past ICDC Competitors:

Learning from previous ICDC competitors can help students elevate their role plays and written presentations. Down below are a few links from past ICDC competitors:

- Past ICDC Winning Material:

- Tips from past Written Winners: [Written Winners](#)
- Tips from past Roleplay Winners: [Roleplay Winners](#)

**General Tips for Chapters:**

- Host weekly workshops and study sessions to get members prepared for ICDC.
- Create presentations focused on specific events or clusters
- Collaborate with other nearby chapters to host mock conferences at your school.
- Group students of similar events to work with one another and share competitive tips.
- Most importantly, get them excited for the conference!

**Supporting Non-Competitive Members:**

- Members who arrived through the Thrive, Elevate, Inspire, or Aspire academies will be able to participate in their respective Emerging Leaders Series workshops. The workshops help students prepare for 21st century skills, including problem solving, communication, creativity, innovation, and for future careers. The schedule for the workshops can be found at this [link](#) under “Emerging Leaders Series”.
- Members who didn’t qualify for ICDC should continue to be supported within your local chapters. In order to support members, chapters can host career development workshops. Down below are a few resources chapters can use!
  - [Resource Development Workshops](#)
  - [Internship Resources](#)
  - [Graphic Design Workshop](#)

**ICDC Schedules:**

**ICDC Mandatory Sessions:**

<b>Grand Opening Session:</b>	<b>Achievement Awards: Session</b>	<b>Grand Awards Session:</b>
<b>8:30pm - Saturday; Orange County Convention Center</b>	<b>8:00am - Tuesday; Orange County Convention Center</b>	<b>8:30pm - Tuesday; Orange County Convention Center</b>
Led by the executive officer team, the Grand Opening Session will kick off ICDC and will feature the annual parade of associations!	The awards session recognizes the top performers in the preliminary competition. Blue ribbons are awarded to event finalists, who will	The Grand Awards Session recognizes ICDCs winners for each competitive event category as well as scholarship recipients, DECA challenge winners, and the

	compete in the final competition series.	incoming executive officer team.
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**CA DECA State Meetings:** After the opening and closing sessions, CA DECA will host state meetings. All chapters and volunteers are required to attend.

- Itinerary:
  - **April 22rd:** Opening State Meeting (9:00 - 9:45am) in rooms Orlando 4-6 at Hilton Orlando
  - **April 25th:** Closing State Meeting (after the grand awards session! ~ 11 P.M) in the Florida Room Orlando

Updates about where the state meetings are hosted and the specific times will be communicated throughout the conference via the Presidents' slack.

**Event Special Schedules:** For member specific schedules, please refer to [this](#) document.

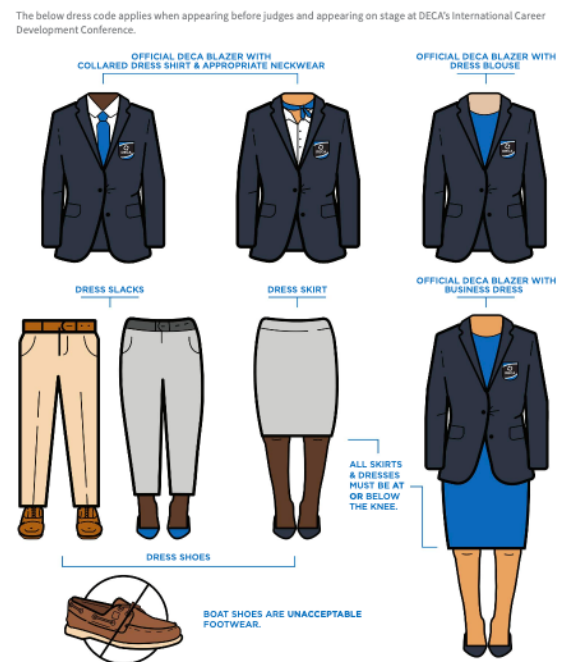
## ICDC Logistics:

**How ICDC Works:** Participants initially compete on Sunday in their preliminary competitions and testing categories. Each competitive event will have separate locations and schedules which are located above. On Tuesday at the Achievement Awards Session, top performers in each event are recognized. Members who receive a blue ribbon move on to participate in the final competition, competing for the grand awards.

**Professional Attire:** Conference professionalism is an important aspect of DECA's competitive events. Members are required to wear DECA's Official blazer when appearing on stage and before the judges. For general sessions, testing, and other sessions, blazers are optional. Down below is recommended attire by DECA inc.

Additionally, students are recommended to wear masks by the local jurisdiction of the conference. DECA inc. will provide masks to each student, but please note that the guidelines are subject to change based on the requirements set by the venue or the local jurisdiction.

For more information about health and attire rules, please visit pages 43 and 49 respectively in the DECA inc. packet.



**Social Media Challenges:** Hosted by DECA inc., members have the opportunity to participate in DECA Quest. Navigate to page 10 on the DECA inc. packet for more information.

Additionally, the CA State Officers will be continuously updating CA DECA's instagram for updates, schedule changes, and reminders about the competition. Follow @californiadeca to keep up with the updates! During the award sessions, @californiadeca will be posting winners from all categories. For live updates, follow @decainc and @californiadeca!

### **Reaching out to State Officers:**

If you have any questions, please reach out to state officers via instagram, email, or @californiadeca instagram! Additionally, please remember that the state officers will be posting important information on the presidents' slack throughout the conference.

- Leo Shao (President): @deca.leos
- Diya Jain (VP of Leadership): @deca.diya
- Samaira Mehta (VP of Marketing): @deca\_samaira
- Ruijia Gu (VP of NorCal): @deca.ruijia
- Emily Mitnick (VP of SV): @decaemilym
- SJ Janolkar (VP of SoCal): @sj\_heywww

**Maps + Restaurants :** A compiled list of maps/restaurants located near the Orange County Convention Center can be found in the advisor packet. Students are recommended to download the maps on their phones for emergencies.

### **Preparing for the New School Year:**

- **Updating Presidents Council Information:**
  - As chapter officer elections conclude and new officers are selected, please make sure to have the new presidents for the 2023-2024 school year join the presidents council Slack. More information for chapter presidents will be provided towards the beginning of the 2023 school year.
- **New Chapter Officer Initiatives**
  - Although DECA's competitive events are coming to an end, it's important to continue to lead chapter officer initiatives in preparation for the next school year! Chapter officers are encouraged to brainstorm ideas for chapter improvements, revamp chapter websites, and work on membership outreach.
  - Resources:
    - [Revamping your website!](#)
    - [Member Outreach Guide](#)

- If you have any questions on how to get started for the next school year, feel free to reach out to the state officers!