NEW JERSEY DECA STATE DRESS CODE - 2017

All members must adhere to the following dress code at official DECA functions such as regional and state conferences, competitions and meetings. Members must dress in appropriate business attire as would be worn while working in a professional situation. Blazers are **NOT** a requirement for state competition.

Business attire for females is:

- 1. Business suit (matching jacket and skirt or pants) and coordinating blouse, shirt or sweater.
- 2. Business type dress.
- 3. Business type skirt (no shorter than two inches about the middle of the knee cap), sweater, blouse or shirt.
- 4. Business type dress pants, sweater, blouse, or shirt.
- 5. Business type dress shoes (pumps, heels or flats)

Females may not wear the following:

- 1. Skirts shorter than two inches above the middle of the knee.
- 2. Low cut fronts, open sides, open backs, see through, tube, halter, strapless, sleeveless or midriff tops.
- 3. Denim of any color; jeans; leggings or graphic designed hosiery/tights; cocktail, formal or transparent dresses.

Business Attire for males is:

- 1. Business suit with matching pants, coordinating collared dress shirt, and necktie/bowtie.
- 2. Collared dress shirt, dress slacks, and necktie. (Coordinating blazer, vest or sweater is optional).
- 3. Dress shoes either laced or slip on.
- 4. Dress socks.

Males may not wear the following:

- 1. String or bolo ties.
- 2. Collarless, sleeveless, cut off, golf shirts or bare midriff shirts.
- 3. Shorts of any kind.
- 4. Denim of any color, jeans.

Males and females may not wear the following:

- 1. Clothing with printing that is suggestive, obscene or promotes illegal substances or other items which would be considered inappropriate in the home school.
- 2. Skin-tight or revealing clothing.
- 3. Leggings or graphic designed hosiery/tights.
- 4. Sneakers, Sperry/Topsider/Boat Shoes, canvas shoes (espadrilles or Tom's-style shoes), moccasins or sandals.
- 5. Hiking, work, army, thigh high, over the knee, riding, Ugg-Style, biker, Wellington, mukluk, gladiator, or cowboy boots
- 6. Jeans and/or denim of any color or style
- 7. Athletic clothing
- 8. Sunglasses
- 9. Swimwear
- 10. Winter/outdoor wear (i.e. Outdoor leather, denim, jean jackets or coats)

Twenty points will be subtracted for dress code violations in each section of a competitive event (written test, role-plays, or manual interview).

Delegate Signature:	
Advisor Signature:	
Parent Signature:	
Date:	