

# NEW JERSEY DECA - STATE DRESS CODE - 2020

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

## Acceptable attire is:

- a) Business suit, Sport Coat, or DECA Blazer with:
  - i) Blouse or
  - ii) Collared Dress Shirt and appropriate neckwear (necktie or scarf)
- b) Dress Pants or Skirt (at the knee or below the knee) with:
  - i) Blouse or
  - ii) Collared Dress Shirt with appropriate neckwear (necktie or scarf)
  - iii) Optional matching dress jacket, blazer, DECA blazer, or sweater.
- c) Dress Shoes

## Unacceptable attire is:

- 1. Skirts with a length shorter than at or below the knee.
- 2. Tops with low cut fronts, open sides, open backs, see through, tube, halter, strapless, sleeveless, off-the-shoulder or midriff tops.
- 3. Denim of any color; jeans;
- 4. Leggings or graphic designed hosiery/tights
- 5. Cocktail, formal or transparent dresses.
- 6. String or bolo ties.
- 7. Collarless, sleeveless, cut off, golf shirts, polo-style shirts or bare midriff shirts.
- 8. Shorts of any kind.
- 9. Clothing with printing that is suggestive, obscene or promotes illegal substances or other items which would be considered inappropriate in the home school.
- 10. Skin-tight or revealing clothing.
- 11. Sneakers, Sperry/Topsider/Boat Shoes, canvas shoes (espadrilles or Tom's-style shoes), moccasins or sandals.
- 12. Hiking, work, army, thigh high, over the knee, riding, Ugg-Style, biker, Wellington, mukluk, gladiator, or cowboy boots
- 13. Athletic clothing
- 14. Sunglasses
- 15. Swimwear
- 16. 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: \_\_\_\_\_

**If accommodations are needed or necessary, please contact the state office for guidance.**

**NO ONE will be admitted to the general sessions unless they are properly dressed!**