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Connecticut DECA

## Prospective Officer Workshop to be Offered

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There will be a new workshop at this year's Fall Leadership Conference.

This session is for leaders who are interested in running for State Officer position. If you are hard working, dedicated, and want to become a part of the State Executive Council, then we strongly encourage you to come to this workshop. Designed and run by your current officers, this workshop will include a discussion regarding what it takes, the benefits, and the miscellaneous information concerning the role of a State

Officer. Even if remotely interested in running, we enthusiastically suggest your attendance! For more information about signing up, please contact

your State Advisor, Mr. Leete,  
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The 2009-2010 State Officer Team

## DECA "Gives You Wings!"

By Kellyn Patros, Vice President  
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Buffalo, New York, home of the infamous Buffalo wing is also home of the 2009 North Atlantic Region Conference.

November 6th-8th will be three days of exciting leadership development, career skills education and competition preparation. In addition to workshops, there will be marketing and career fair exhibits as well as competitive events (very much like those at the

State and ICDC), and not to mention Niagara Falls! Those who attend will see the charm and beauty of the city and also be able to enjoy the *Taste of Buffalo Luncheon*, offering the many types and tastes of Buffalo and their famous Buffalo wing.

I hope to see all of my fellow CT DECA members at this year's NARCon and remember, "DECA gives you wings!"



# A Trip to the Winner's Circle

By Adam Rowe, President  
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And they're off...! This year's culmination of DECA is taking place in the home of the Kentucky Derby and the slugger, Louisville. This year's International Career Development Conference promises to be one of the best. DECA members from all over the world will come together to Live, Lead and Learn. Members will get the chance to see the sights of Louisville and the beautiful landscape that surrounds. Those present will also attend a night at Fourth Street, which is an up and coming dining and entertainment location in the city. Louisville promises to be a great time for all who attend, and I encourage everyone to compete at the State Conference in hopes of joining us at the 2010 ICDC!



# Let's Talk

By Mia Mian, Secretary  
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One of our goals this year was to increase communication. For that matter, we have prepared this newsletter hoping to develop more personal relationships between the State Officers and their designated schools. Though a specific officer may not be your chapter's person of contact, please feel free to email any of us for any reason! Our addresses can be found at the end of each of our articles.



We encourage all members with a Facebook to join the official North Atlantic Region group and Connecticut DECA page. Doing so will allow each of you to have direct contact to the entire Officer Team, other DECA members and stay updated with the latest information on upcoming events.

By increasing contact with fellow members, we guarantee that your DECA experience will become that much more enjoyable. Thank you!

# Contact Information

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There are a total of 45 DECA chapters in the state of Connecticut. The state officers want to have a personal connection with each chapter. In order to do this, the 45 chapters were divided up amongst the officers. Each officer is now responsible for 7-11 chapters.

If your chapter ever has any questions, please do not hesitate to ask your state officer. We are here to serve and help you. If you have a function or event that you would like a state officer to attend, please ask! We look forward to visiting your chapter and meeting all of the members of Connecticut DECA! Best of luck during the year!

## Adam Rowe

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Danbury High School  
Hamden High School  
Lyman Hall High School  
Naugatuck High School  
New Fairfield High School  
New Milford High School  
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Platt High School  
Ridgefield High School

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Old Lyme High School  
RHAM High School  
Southington High School  
Waterford High School  
Wethersfield High School  
Wolcott High School

## Mia Mian

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Enfield High School  
Enrico Fermi High School  
The Gilbert School  
Glastonbury High School  
Sports Sciences Academy  
Torrington High School  
Windham High School  
Windsor High School

## Stacey Kanner

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Maloney High School  
Masuk High School  
Notre Dame High School  
Shelton High School  
Stamford High School  
West Haven High School

## Gina Croteau

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New London High School  
Plainville High School  
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