Thank you for agreeing to share your time and knowledge with DECA members at the International Career Development Conference (ICDC)!

As a judge you will sit across the table from DECA's most talented members and evaluate their knowledge and skills they’ve developed all year. You provide the ‘real world’ expertise that sets our industry-validated competitive events program apart as you determine who will advance to finals or be named an international finalist.

ICDC would not be possible without your commitment. On behalf of all DECA students and staff, thank you for serving as a competitive events judge!
JUDGING INSTRUCTIONS

DECA’s Competitive Events Program is aligned to industry-validated National Curriculum Standards in the career clusters of marketing, business management and administration, finance and hospitality and tourism. The DECA members you will be judging have qualified from a series of competitions and represent the top performers from their state/province.

EVENT OVERVIEW

- The event you have agreed to judge includes two major parts: an exam and one role-play activity.
- You have been assigned to judge the role-play in one section of this event.
- In your section, you will judge 16 to 20 participants, who are only competing against each other in the preliminary competition. The top two performers from each section, after combining the exam and role-play score, will advance to final competition.
- The participant will be given a written scenario to review. In the role-play, the participant must accomplish a task by translating what they have learned into effective, efficient and spontaneous action.
- A list of four performance indicators specific to the scenario is included in the participant’s instructions. These are distinct tasks the participant must accomplish during the role-play. As a judge, you will evaluate the participant’s role-play performance on these tasks, follow-up questions and 21st Century Skills.

YOUR ROLE AS A JUDGE

- Carefully review the role-play and evaluation form to understand your characterization as a judge.
- Once you begin to see participants, after introductions, begin the 10-minute role-play.
- Following the participant’s explanation for the solution to the role-play, ask questions related to the scenario that are provided in the event. Please ask the same questions to all participants for consistency in scoring.
- Materials appropriate for the situation may be handed to you or left with you by the participants. Materials must be created by the participants using materials provided during the designated preparation period. No printed reference materials, visual aids, etc., may be used.
- Close the role-play by thanking the participant for his/her work. Please do not provide any feedback to the participant.
- Use a pencil to complete the scantron form, recording the score in the box and blackening the correct score. You may need to adjust scores as you establish clear expectations for performance.
- If you have any questions, please consult your event director.
- All participants, regardless of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, sexual orientation or socio-economic status, should be treated equally and respectfully.

TIPS AND SUGGESTIONS

- Perform a consistent judge characterization and maintain the same expectations of participants throughout to ensure an equitable competitive environment.
- Create a positive learning environment for participants.
- To assist with the determination of winners, please avoid giving ties.
- Participants scoring a combined total score of 70% or better on the competitive event components will earn a Certificate of Excellence.
PRINCIPLES OF FINANCE EVENT

PARTICIPANT INSTRUCTIONS

• The event will be presented to you through your reading of the 21st Century Skills, Performance Indicators and Event Situation. You will have up to 10 minutes to review this information and prepare your presentation. You may make notes to use during your presentation.
• You will have up to 10 minutes to make your presentation to the judge (you may have more than one judge).
• You will be evaluated on how well you meet the performance indicators of this event.
• Turn in all of your notes and event materials when you have completed the event.

21st CENTURY SKILLS

• Critical Thinking – Reason effectively and use systems thinking.
• Communication– Communicate clearly.
• Creativity and Innovation – Show evidence of creativity.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

1. Explain the nature of positive customer relations.

2. Demonstrate a customer-service mindset.

3. Develop rapport with customers.

4. Determine ways of reinforcing the company’s image through employee performance.
EVENT SITUATION

You are to assume the role of a bank teller at THOMPSON BANK, a local bank that has two locations. A new coworker (judge) has asked you to explain how bank tellers can develop positive relationships with drive-through customers when interaction is so limited.

THOMPSON BANK employs three bank tellers that only handle customers using the drive-through. The bank’s policy is that the drive-through can only be used for deposits, withdrawals or check cashing. Any further banking activities need to be done inside the bank. The drive-through has three lanes, each equipped with a camera and speaker system that allows the customer to see and hear the bank teller.

A new coworker (judge) has finished employee orientation and is now going through on-the-job training. Your new coworker (judge) has heard in orientation that THOMPSON BANK strives to always give “service with a smile.” Your coworker (judge) has asked you how to demonstrate positive customer relations and develop relationships with customers when the interaction is so limited.

You will explain how to demonstrate positive customer relations to your new coworker (judge) in a role-play to take place at the bank. Your new coworker (judge) will begin the role-play by asking you about positive customer relations. After you have given your coworker (judge) an explanation and have answered your coworker’s (judge’s) questions, your coworker (judge) will conclude the role-play by thanking you for your work.
JUDGE’S INSTRUCTIONS

DIRECTIONS, PROCEDURES AND JUDGE’S ROLE

In preparation for this event, you should review the following information with your event manager and other judges:

1. Procedures

2. 21st Century Skills and Performance Indicators

3. Event Situation

4. Judge Situation Characterization
   Participants may conduct a slightly different type of meeting and/or discussion with you each time; however, it is important that the information you provide and the questions you ask be uniform for every participant.

5. Judge’s Evaluation Instructions

6. Judge’s Evaluation Form
   Please use a critical and consistent eye in rating each participant.

JUDGE SITUATION CHARACTERIZATION

You are to assume the role of a new bank teller at THOMPSON BANK, a local bank that has two locations. You have asked a veteran bank teller (participant) to explain how bank tellers can develop positive relationships with drive-through customers when interaction is so limited.

THOMPSON BANK employs three bank tellers that only handle customers using the drive-through. The bank’s policy is that the drive-through can only be used for deposits, withdrawals or check cashing. Any further banking activities need to be done inside the bank. The drive-through has three lanes, each equipped with a camera and speaker system that allows the customer to see and hear the bank teller.

You have finished employee orientation and are now going through on-the-job training. You have heard in orientation that THOMPSON BANK strives to always give “service with a smile.” You have asked the veteran bank teller (participant) how to demonstrate positive customer relations and develop relationships with customers when the interaction is so limited.

The bank teller (participant) will explain how to demonstrate positive customer relations to you in a role-play to take place at the bank. You will begin the role-play by asking about positive customer relations. During the course of the role-play you are to ask the following questions of each participant:
1. Do you think it’s easier or harder for the bank tellers working with customers inside the bank to have positive customer relations?

2. Is it possible to have positive customer relations if we need to give a customer negative financial information regarding their account?

After the bank teller (participant) has given you an explanation and has answered your questions, you will conclude the role-play by thanking the bank teller (participant).

You are not to make any comments after the event is over except to thank the participant.

*Answers will vary but should demonstrate a basic understanding of the concepts.*
JUDGE’S EVALUATION INSTRUCTIONS

Evaluation Form Information

The participants are to be evaluated on their ability to perform the specific performance indicators stated on the cover sheet of this event and restated on the Judge’s Evaluation Form. Although you may see other performance indicators being demonstrated by the participants, those listed in the Performance Indicators section are the critical ones you are measuring for this particular event.

Evaluation Form Interpretation

The evaluation levels listed below and the evaluation rating procedures should be discussed thoroughly with your event chairperson and the other judges to ensure complete and common understanding for judging consistency.

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<th>Level of Evaluation</th>
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<td>Exceeds Expectations</td>
<td>Participant demonstrated the performance indicator in an extremely professional manner; greatly exceeds business standards; would rank in the top 10% of business personnel performing this performance indicator.</td>
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<td>Meets Expectations</td>
<td>Participant demonstrated the performance indicator in an acceptable and effective manner; meets at least minimal business standards; there would be no need for additional formalized training at this time; would rank in the 70-89th percentile of business personnel performing this performance indicator.</td>
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<td>Below Expectations</td>
<td>Participant demonstrated the performance indicator with limited effectiveness; performance generally fell below minimal business standards; additional training would be required to improve knowledge, attitude and/or skills; would rank in the 50-69th percentile of business personnel performing this performance indicator.</td>
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<td>Little/No Value</td>
<td>Participant demonstrated the performance indicator with little or no effectiveness; a great deal of formal training would be needed immediately; perhaps this person should seek other employment; would rank in the 0-49th percentile of business personnel performing this performance indicator.</td>
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JUDGE’S EVALUATION FORM
SAMPLE

INSTRUCTIONAL AREA
Customer Relations

Did the participant: | Little/No Value | Below Expectations | Meets Expectations | Exceeds Expectations | Judged Score |
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**PERFORMANCE INDICATORS**
1. Explain the nature of positive customer relations? | 0-1-2-3-4-5 | 6-7-8-9-10 | 11-12-13-14 | 15-16-17-18 |
2. Demonstrate a customer-service mindset? | 0-1-2-3-4-5 | 6-7-8-9-10 | 11-12-13-14 | 15-16-17-18 |
3. Develop a rapport with customers? | 0-1-2-3-4-5 | 6-7-8-9-10 | 11-12-13-14 | 15-16-17-18 |
4. Determine ways of reinforcing the company’s image through employee performance? | 0-1-2-3-4-5 | 6-7-8-9-10 | 11-12-13-14 | 15-16-17-18 |

**21ST CENTURY SKILLS**
5. Reason effectively and use systems thinking? | 0-1 | 2-3 | 4-5 | 6-7 |
6. Communicate clearly? | 0-1 | 2-3 | 4-5 | 6-7 |
7. Show evidence of creativity? | 0-1 | 2-3 | 4-5 | 6-7 |
8. Overall impression and responses to the judge’s questions | 0-1 | 2-3 | 4-5 | 6-7 |

TOTAL SCORE