

DECA DIRECT

DISCUSSION GUIDE

SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER 2019

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PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

- Set personal goals.
- Determine the nature of organizational goals.
- Explain the need for innovation skills.
- Assess personal interests and skills needed for success in business.
- Utilize resources that can contribute to professional development.
- Explain the nature of project management.

#GOALS FOR YOUR YEAR

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Set two goals that you wish to achieve in DECA this year. One should be a personal goal, and one should be a goal that helps contribute to the overall success of the DECA chapter. For each goal, make sure to use the SMART methodology.

Personal Goal:

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Organizational Goal:

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DECA's Competitive Events Program can help you learn and grow while you prepare for college and a future career.

What are the advantages to participating in a competitive event that is related to a career field or industry you are interested in?

Why do you think it is important to have some personal experience in the competitive event that you decide to participate in? In addition to personal experience, what are other sources of professional development you can use to prepare yourself?

Visit deca.org/compete and select a competitive event you are interested in participating in. Explain why you chose the event and the major components of the competitive event.

Think back to a few of the key takeaways from Disney’s culture and consider how you can exemplify them in both your personal life and within your DECA chapter.

Cast members are 100% focused on the guests.

How can you exemplify this in your personal life?

How can you exemplify this in your DECA chapter?

Cast members continue to learn and grow in their roles.

How can you exemplify this in your personal life?

How can you exemplify this in your DECA chapter?

Cast members have a common set of priorities.

How can you exemplify this in your personal life?

How can you exemplify this in your DECA chapter?

We all do projects, and we can all use a formal project management process to help improve the effectiveness of our projects.

Think to a recent project you were part of. Describe the project. Then, define the five steps in project management. Then, describe the components you did for each step of the project management process. If you “skipped” the step, explain what you should have done for that step or areas of improvement.

Project	<i>Describe the project.</i>
Initiating <i>Define:</i>	<i>Describe the components you did in this step or what you should have done.</i>
Planning <i>Define:</i>	<i>Describe the components you did in this step or what you should have done.</i>
Executing <i>Define:</i>	<i>Describe the components you did in this step or what you should have done.</i>
Monitoring and Controlling <i>Define:</i>	<i>Describe the components you did in this step or what you should have done.</i>
Closing <i>Define:</i>	<i>Describe the components you did in this step or what you should have done.</i>