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One thing that makes DECA great is the community aspect. There are 220,000 members worldwide. Exposing yourself to these people at CDC and ICDC will allow you to create great, long lasting, and positive friendships.

## ➔ 2. Networking

DECA allows you to meet so many like minded business professionals and entrepreneurs. It allows you to network with different people on a large scale. You never know...you may end up with an internship one day!

## ➔ 3. Real Life Experiences



Competing in DECA's numerous competitive events allow you to get real life experiences for job interviews and talking to higher authority appropriately.

## ➔ 4. Traveling Opportunities

Have you ever wanted to travel to California, Georgia, or Florida?? Well if so DECA is the organization for you. Competing at state and qualifying for nationals will allow you to travel to these states and enjoy all the local attractions.

## ➔ 5. Public Speaking



DECA allows you to step outside of your comfort zone...in a good way! You get to practice speaking skills in the classroom and while competing!

## ➔ 6. Career Experience

DECA prepares you in more ways than one. DECA gives you career experiences and practice in business related fields.

## ➔ 7. College Readiness



DECA is a great organization to put on college applications and resumes. It will automatically help you stand out!

## ➔ 8. Community Service

One thing DECA is great at is community service. We love to partner with local and national organizations in order to make a difference in this world.

## ➔ 9. DECA Glass



Competing at DECA events will allow you the possibility to win DECA Glass, which is coveted in the DECA community! Don't you want this to be you?

## ➔ 10. Scholarships

Joining DECA will allow you to tap into the \$300,000 worth of scholarships DECA has to offer. Who doesn't love scholarships??



# TOP 10 REASONS TO JOIN DECA

*By Mariah Brown*

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**DECA exists for the success of its members in the classroom, to competition, and to college and beyond.**

**DECA benefits its members with so many great experiences including, public speaking skills and career experiences.**

**Personally, DECA has tremendously impacted my life. I have had so many positive and beneficial experiences throughout my time in this organization. I've have met some amazing people and been able to network with many business professionals. I am so grateful to DECA and the experiences it has given me.**

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