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Perry High School DECA

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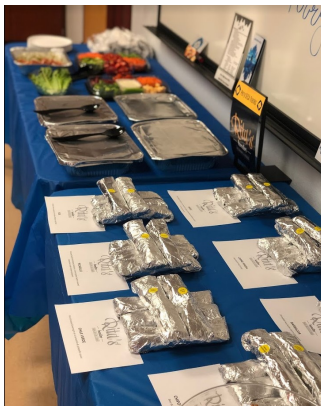
Administration Lunch!

At Perry we are lucky enough to have an incredible administration and office/ support staff that go far above and beyond for the students each and everyday! Sadly, much of their hard work and dedication for the students goes unnoticed. The start of the school year adds a great deal of stress for the staff from new students showing up or dealing with construction or parking issues and more. The admin. and staff members take all of these challenges in stride, try to help as best they can all the while keeping a smile on their faces and making everyone feel welcome! PHS DECA and Rita's restaurant recognized all of their hard work and wanted to offer a small token of thanks for all they do; lunch! Rita's provided an incredible lunch! Perry has great organizations and groups on campus and they don't do it alone, they do it with the strong support of our administration team and staff members! **Thank you for all you do!!**

Sponsored By Rita's Restaurant

"Our Admin. Team is super supportive of DECA and engaged in all that's happening on campus. They are positive and a great resource for the students. We are lucky to have them."

*- Veronica Mortensen
(PHS DECA President)*



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Mr. Ames, Mr. Serrano, Mr. Greene, Ms. Patterson, Ms. Martino, Ms. Murdock, Ms. Gallo



PHS DECA returns to Kiwanis @ the State Fair

PHS DECA Gives Back!

Perry High School DECA has always believed in giving back to the community! Over the past 2 years PHS DECA has donated over 2800 community service hours with a goal of 1800 for the 2019-2020 school year! Some of the great events DECA participates in are listed below:

Kiwanis Day @ the Fair - Special needs students have the opportunity every year to attend a private day at the Arizona State Fair. Local high school students from across the valley volunteer their time. PHS DECA always seems to have a waiting list of kids that want to be a part of this fun day! The students see exhibits, go on rides together and spend the morning becoming friends!

Adopt-A-Family - Perry High School Administration organizes the volunteering groups on campus to help families in need from our community to ensure they have a Christmas holiday. Students buy and donate the gifts for a needy family.

Macy's Letters to Santa - Macy's donates \$1 to the Make-A-Wish Foundation for every stamped letter they are given that is written to Santa. UPS has donated the stamps and other classes and clubs on campus have helped out. Over the past 2 years we have written over 1200 letters to Santa to help the Make-A-Wish Foundation

Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) - The officer team decided to support the national DECA charity, the MDA. Each year PHS DECA holds several fundraisers for our charity of choice. Last year we raised \$3600 and were Arizona Charity Chapter of the Year. This year our goal is to raise over \$4000 for the MDA.

It is impossible to list EVERY service event, but this is a great representation of how much PHS DECA cares about and gives back to the community!

Leadership Camp @ Lost Canyon

All of the PHS DECA officers joined officers from around the state at the AZ DECA Leadership camp this year in Williams, AZ.

It was a three day fun filled camp with great activities, teamwork, networking and leadership events. These activities spilt chapters up to encourage members to meet more members.

These color groups at night held competitions against one another. These competitions included dodgeball and a lip-sync battle. The chapter was ran mostly by the Arizona State Officer Team and facilitated workshops for everyone to attend based on officer positions.

CUSD schools in attendance at camp were Perry, Casteel, Hamilton and Chandler.



The Leadership Camp Participants:
2019-2020 Officer Team &
Lexi Woosley, Leilani Lespron, Paige Adams



Perry's 1st State Officer!

As a Junior Amber said that she wanted to be a state officer. When the time came to campaign at state, it was all hands on deck! So many DECA members stepped up and provided a great effort to help Amber be the 1st State Officer/ District 5 representative in Perry's history!



It doesn't take long for greatness to shine and Amber is a strong leader. She was elected by the other state officers to be the Arizona DECA State President!

Since being elected Amber has been doing an incredible job representing Arizona DECA & Perry all over the country!



Pictured Above: Titania Hoang (Jr.), Stephanie Howarth (Sr.), Emily Anasagasti (Jr.), Veronica Mortenson (Sr.), Hunter Hammett (Jr.), Yejin Sohn (Jr.), Beth Wisniewski (Sr.)

NEW PHS DECA Officer Team

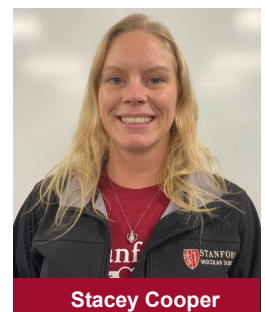
Over the past eight years DECA has had some incredible officers, that leaves big shoes to fill stepping into this school year. Mr. Lange always has difficult decisions to make in selecting an officer team. This years team was selected because of their individual strengths. The 2019-2020 team is off to a strong start! The start for them team was prior to the beginning of the summer in May!

PHS DECA has one of the largest chapters in the state and this years team has a great direction planned for the chapter! The officers have set some lofty goals to improve our service, size, outreach, national recognition, and success at competition.

Those familiar with PHS DECA know that last year we had a junior President in Amber Adams (photo/ story to the left). She was elected to be our District 5 representative and Arizona DECA President which makes her ineligible to serve as a chapter officer. She still has been happy to help out in so many ways. We grateful for her help and very proud of her success!

Another great addition to the PHS DECA leadership team is Ms. Stacey Cooper (pictured below). She is a second year English teacher at Perry. Ms. Cooper has an MBA and is currently working on a doctorate degree. She went with us to the Leadership Camp and other advisors even asked if they could "borrow her for their chapter". She brings great enthusiasm and expertise to help our chapter reach the next level. We are extremely lucky to have her helping PHS DECA reach the next level!

Each year has its own set of challenges, but this officer team is excited all that the 2019-2020 school year has in store!



How Can You Help DECA?

DECA is a business marketing and leadership organization that needs your help to be successful!

Every year we need over 650 volunteers to help judge at the district and state competitions! It is easy to do and only takes a few hours of your time to make a difference in a kid's life forever!

Without you the sharpest kids in the state have NO WAY to showcase their talents! Please help and sign up at **AZDECA.ORG**. Feel free to sign up and judge as many times as you would like!

- District 9** - Dec. 9 '19 - ASU Tempe
 - District 2** - Dec. 10 '19 - ASU West
 - District 4** - Dec. 11 '19 - ASU Tempe
 - District 3** - Jan. 10 '20 - Pima CC
 - District 8** - Jan. 13 '20 - ASU West
 - District 6** - Jan. 14 '20 - ASU Tempe
 - District 7** - Jan. 15 '20 - ASU West
 - District 5** - Jan. 16 '20 - ASU Tempe (Perry)
 - District 1** - Jan. 21 '20 - ASU Tempe
- Judges needed from 9:00am - 1:00pm

State (CDC) - Feb. 22 & 23 '20 - AZ Grand Resort



Please Help Kids Bring Home THEIR DECA Glass!!

#PathToGlass

Upcoming Events:

Throughout the school year Perry High School DECA has many fun and exciting events planned! The best place to stay up to date is on Mr. Lange's school site (<http://www.cusd80.com/Domain/4932>) or with our social media pages (@PerryDECA). The officer team works very hard to offer a wide variety of great events. We're still working on some details for a few events to ensure high quality events. Listed below are the most current list of events. We hope to see you at an event very soon!!

- December 3rd & 4th:** Freshman English Presentation @ PHS
- December 11th:** Mock Competition @ PHS
- December 13th:** Anti-Vandal Day (spirit bus clean up)
- December 14th:** Officer Celebration

- January 9th:** CTE Middle School Tours
- January 10th:** CTE Middle School Tours
- January 13th:** Mens Wearhouse - Guest Speaker
- January 16th:** District 5 (Perry) Competition (Judges Needed, Please!)
- January 23rd:** Freshman Curriculum Night @ 4-8pm

- February 12th:** Mr. PHS Rehearsal
- February 13th:** Mr. PHS Contest (PHS Auditorium)
- February 21-23:** DECA State Competition (CDC) - AZ Grand (Judges Needed, Please!)

- April 29th:** May 3rd: International Competition (Nashville, Tennessee)
- May 27th:** Graduation Day!

TBA Events:

- PHS DECA Week
- Junior Achievement - You're Hired
- Year End Celebration

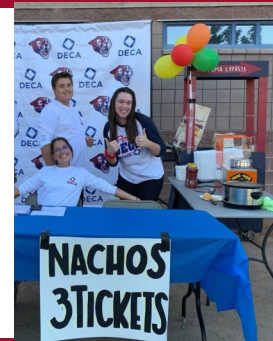
Homecoming Carnival!

Homecoming came early this year based on the football teams schedule, but that didn't stop PHS DECA from have some fun at the carnival!

We had a nacho stand and student were able to take turns trying to dunk Ms. Cooper and Mr. Lange in the always fun Stu-Go Dunk Tank!



Luke Mosley, Alyssa Cuevas, Haley Evans, Matthew Latimer, Dane Gomez - Homecoming Carival '19



Tyler Tone, Audrey Coody and Veronica Mortensen - Homecoming Carival '19



Lange (w/ Mt. Dew of course) & Cooper before they are dunked! Homecoming Carival '19