

## News release



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### **Cascade High School DECA group continues strong history of wins**

***Nine years going to state, first place win takes them to national competition***



*Emily Irwin, Nick Janner and Brittany Burrus with their first place medals*

Ten [Cascade High School](#) DECA students competed against more than 3,000 others at last weekend's [DECA State Career Development Conference](#). The *Chapter Awards* team of Emily Irwin, Nick Janner and Brittany Burrus took first place. That top state honor earned them a stop in Atlanta, Georgia at the National Conference in May.

The award-winning *Chapter Awards Project* had five goals:

1. To encourage chapters to conduct activities and projects.
2. To build member involvement.
3. To encourage membership in local, state and DECA, Inc.
4. To build school and community recognition for the marketing education program and DECA
5. To hold activities that will strengthen the local chapter.

Advisor [Jodi Galli](#) notes, "This is the first ever first place win for Cascade, but I have taken a team to state every year in the nine years I have been an advisor. This team along with the team of Hien Nguyen, Carmela Vinoya and Michael Rinner make this the largest National team in my time here at Cascade. All of these students deserve a huge round of congratulation for their hard work and dedication to Cascade DECA."

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