

In the spotlight. Looking out to the crowd, Sydnei Sundseth ('25) smiles after placing fourth at the DECA state competition. Sundseth made it into the top ten which helped her qualify for nationals. "I was definitely more serious about my competition and wanting to do good," said Sundseth. *photo donated: by blaine vorachek*

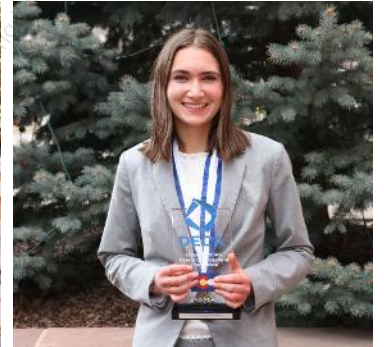


Take it from her. Posing for a photo after the awards ceremony, Celine Bono ('25), celebrates taking second place. Bono took the opportunity to build her skills and put herself on the spot to get to her goals. "I would say that one was more comfortable since I had competed in it before but also more interesting because I was able to broaden my horizons," said Bono. *photo donated by: blaine vorachek*

First timer. Posing with her advisor and partner at The Broadmoor Hotel, Kaylee Wentzell ('25) celebrates the end of the competition. Wentzell embraced positive energy of the state competition. Wentzell said, "It was a lot harder at state, the judges were stricter but I feel like all the preparation really helped my partner and I keep calm." *photo donated by: blaine vorachek*



Confidence is key. Capturing the winning moment at state, Catherine Boyle ('24) poses with her friends. Boyle competed in Law and Ethics for DECA, Public Service Announcements for FBLA, and after competing six times, she has helped others find their confidence in competition. Boyle said, "The more confident you act, the more believable you are." said Boyle. *photo donated by:blaine*



Listening and applying. Shinning in the lights, Cambria Marjaniemi ('25) bunches together with her friends. Marjaniemi has gone to DECA state twice in the categories of independent business and entrepreneurship. "Be open to learning stuff when people critique you because they are trying to help and it can make you better," said Marjaniemi. *photo donated by: blaine vorachek*



DECA or DIE
DECA and FBLA members show the consistency in their clubs by successfully competing throughout the state.

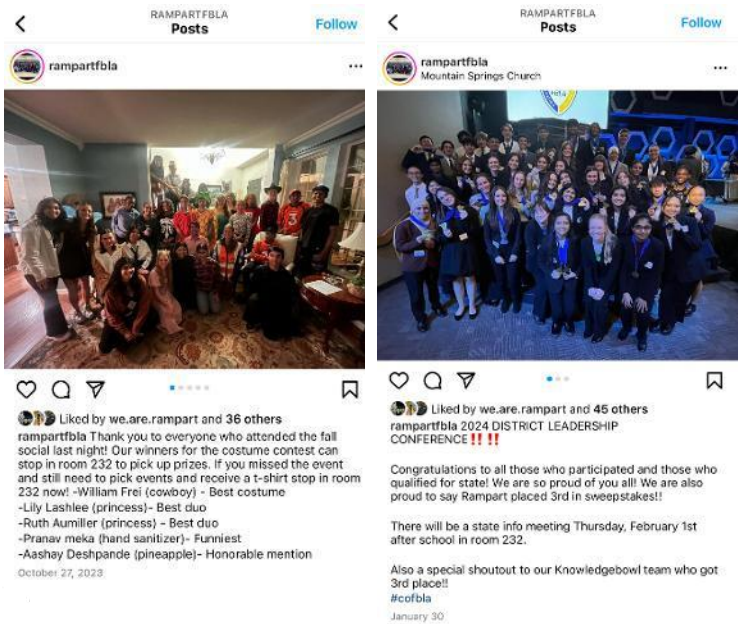
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CATCH IT on the GRAM

The Instagram page for FBLA shares some of the most memorable posts from throughout the school year.

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LETTER from the OFFICER

One senior officer details her time as a member of DECA.

"I have been a member of the Rampart DECA chapter since 10th grade. Because of DECA, I have been fortunate enough to travel throughout the country, meet some of my closest friends, and learn incredible skills that I will continue to use for the rest of my life. From losing our voices while riding roller coasters, to late night discussions in hotel hallways, I will always cherish the memories DECA competitions gave me. In high school, I have heard "get involved" countless times, and looking back, there was no better club for me to join than DECA. Through community service projects like going to Academy Endeavor and helping kids learn math and reading skills, to raising thousands of pounds of food for Care and Share, DECA has pushed me to become more involved with my community. I will forever cherish the memories I made while traveling and competing with some of my closest friends. The biggest piece of advice I have is to be a part of something that is bigger than yourself. Join a club and try something new because you'll never know what opportunities that one small action can bring. Don't be afraid to put yourself out there. The majority of the best memories and learning experiences come from the most unexpected situations."

DECA Out, **Marie Georgescu ('24)**