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### H-F HIGH SCHOOL DECA TEAM SENDS 5 TO NATIONALS AND IS RECOGNIZED AS A SUPERSTAR CHAPTER

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**Flossmoor, IL, March 13, 2008** – H-F High School’s DECA members competed in the 63<sup>rd</sup> Annual State Career Development Conference of the Illinois Association of DECA against 950 DECA members representing 60 different schools from all over the State from Thursday, March 6<sup>th</sup> through Saturday, March 8<sup>th</sup> in Decatur, Illinois. Not only did five of their members qualify for the National Competition, but the Chapter as a whole was recognized as a Superstar Chapter.

The five qualifiers who were part of the 1<sup>st</sup> Place DECA Quiz Bowl Team are: Mike Adelman, Dan Applebaum, Pat Riordan, Alec Schwartz and Elise Smith. Furthermore, Pat Riordan placed 4<sup>th</sup> in Full Service Restaurant Management. Alec Schwartz took 1<sup>st</sup> in Automotive Services. Elise Smith placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in Marketing Management. These qualifiers have earned the right to compete against over 14,000 kids from all over the world.

The following students also competed extremely well: Caryn Kralovec and Cody Albano, tied for 3<sup>rd</sup> in Travel and Tourism; Mike Adelman and Jay Yonover, 5<sup>th</sup> in Travel and Tourism; Scott Spencer, 5<sup>th</sup> in Business Services; Aron Lowe, 6<sup>th</sup> in Quick Serve Restaurant; Norman Neely, 6<sup>th</sup> in Marketing Management; Bruce Morrisette, 9<sup>th</sup> in Marketing Management; and Dave Gilbert, 10<sup>th</sup> in Full Service Restaurant.

H-F’s DECA members will be traveling to the National Competition in hopes to take home a title from April 25<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> in Atlanta.

H-F’s Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA), coached by Business Teacher Michael Patterson, is a business-marketing club that strives to educate its members about business and marketing strategies and decisions. This education helps

members learn about different careers, helps further their knowledge in the marketing and business fields, and contributes to a successful future.

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