

MAINE ACADEMIC DECATHLON
Student Registration and Parent Permission Form

I, _____, now a student at _____
Print Student Name School

Grade Address City/State Zip

hereby request participation in the United States Academic Decathlon ("USAD") and the Maine Academic Decathlon to be conducted at various locations in the state of Maine during 2011-2012 and the USAD finals, if I am eligible, in Albuquerque, NM from April 25th through April 28th, 2012. My parent or guardian, my coach and I, whose signatures appear below, hereby agree to follow the competition rules and to accept the interpretations and decisions made by the competition manage. I have read and agree to adhere to the USAD Code of Conduct and the Maine Code of Conduct. I agree to adhere to the highest standards of honesty and integrity in participating in all Academic Decathlon competitions. I further agree to participate in any tests validating the test results deemed necessary or appropriate by the USAD and/ or the State of Maine.

My parent and I hereby release from all liability and responsibility the USAD, the State of Maine and its respective Boards of Directors and hold each of them harmless from any damage or injury which may be incurred or caused by me before, during or following any such competition, including travel. We further consent to the release of information about or relative to my participation in competition activities, including scores, photographs, sound and video recordings, and any other data. The USAD and State of Maine shall have full rights to reproduction and use of all such materials.

We understand the team coaches are the official chaperones and they have full responsibility to make medical or other necessary decisions, and that my parents and I will be held responsible for any damage resulting from my behavior. I also authorize my transcript and any other pertinent materials may be sent to the USAD and the State of Maine for verification of my eligibility to participate in the Decathlon competition

This student meets the Decathlon requirement for the following division (**circle level**):

Honor Scholastic Varsity

Signature of Student Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian Date

Signature of Coach Date

Signature of School Administrator Date

Please indicate name preference for student ID and certificate if different. _____

Please return this Release Form to your Coach who will complete your registration.

Maine Academic Decathlon Code of Conduct

The MAINE ACADEMIC DECATHLON expects all team members to conduct themselves in a proper manner while attending an Academic Decathlon event. This includes all of the travel, hotel, and sightseeing time associated with their participation in MEAD or any State or Local event.

Appropriate conduct of team members is the sole responsibility of the team coach who has the legal responsibility of chaperone for his/her team members at all times. Students should be under the supervision of the coach during all excursions, activities and in the hotel. All students are expected to be in their rooms by midnight. If behavior in common areas of the hotel are disruptive, an earlier curfew may be called either by the MEAD Executive Director or by the hotel management. It is the responsibility of the team coach to be available and to enforce such a curfew and other regulations determined necessary by the MEAD officials.

Inappropriate conduct includes, but is not limited to:

- *Damage to or vandalism of any property
- *Appropriation of memorabilia from the hotel or competition site premises
- *Use of alcohol or illegal drugs by students, regardless of age
- *Use of water pistols, water balloons, or other creative missiles at hotel or competition site
- *Fighting, loud noise or other behavior which is disruptive to others at the competition site

Financial liability for all damage incurred by actions of a team member shall be the sole responsibility of that team member and his/her parent(s).

Appropriate dress for Speech and Interview is:

Boys: Team uniform or coat (or sweater) and slacks
Girls: Team uniform or dress

Note: Team uniform must be appropriate "dress-up" to present a "professional" appearance. Distracting apparel of any kind shall be considered inappropriate. Bare feet will not be allowed in any testing site.

IN CASE OF ANY INCIDENT the MEAD Executive Director shall convene a panel of three board members to discuss the matter and determine the appropriate action. Appropriate action may include individual and, or team disqualification.