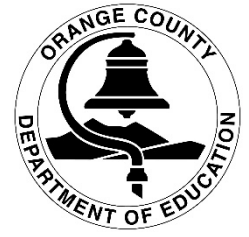




**Orange County Department of Education  
Educational Services Division**



**Orange County Academic Decathlon**

**2024-2025 Competition Options for Grades 9 and 10**

<b>Junior Varsity (JV) Competition</b>	<b>Varsity Competition</b>
<p>Students participate in the following <b>six</b> events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Art</li> <li>• Literature</li> <li>• Music</li> <li>• Interview</li> <li>• Science</li> <li>• Social Science</li> </ul>	<p>Students participate in all <b>ten</b> events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Art</li> <li>• Economics</li> <li>• Essay</li> <li>• Interview</li> <li>• Literature</li> <li>• Mathematics</li> <li>• Music</li> <li>• Speech               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Prepared (3.5 – 4 minutes)</li> <li>○ Impromptu (1.5 – 2 minutes)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Science</li> <li>• Social Science</li> </ul>
<p>Fees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• JV students compete individually for \$50 per student.</li> </ul>	<p>Fees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Competing as a member of the school team               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Fee for the first 6-9 students is \$695</li> <li>○ Fee for additional students beyond 9 (or less than 6) is \$100 per student</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p>GPA Calculation Requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grade 9 - submit transcript from previous year <b>and</b> current transcript showing proof of enrollment in high school</li> <li>• Grade 10 - submit transcripts from grades 8 <b>and</b> 9</li> </ul>	<p>GPA Calculation Requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grades 11 &amp; 12 - submit last two years</li> <li>• Grade 10 - submit last two years</li> <li>• Grade 9 - submit previous year <b>and</b> current transcript showing proof of enrollment in high school</li> </ul>
<p>Eligibility for Medals: Students must participate in all <b>six</b> events held on the following dates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Saturday, January 25, 2025</li> <li>• Saturday, February 1, 2025</li> </ul>	<p>Eligibility for Medals: Students must participate in all <b>ten</b> events held on the following dates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tuesday, January 14, 2025</li> <li>• Saturday, January 25, 2025</li> <li>• Saturday, February 1, 2025</li> </ul>
<p>Awards: Individual awards will be announced at the JV Virtual Awards Ceremony on February 13, 2025. Coaches can pick up their students' medals at the main competition awards ceremony on February 7, 2025.</p>	<p>Awards: Team and individual medals will be presented on February 7, 2025.</p>
<p>Eligibility for State Competition:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• JV competitors are not eligible for the state competition. Students in grades 9 and 10 must participate in the main competition to be eligible to advance to the state level competition.</li> </ul>	<p>Eligibility for State Competition:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Based upon overall team scores, students competing as a part of the school team may be invited to the California Academic Decathlon state competition.</li> <li>• Students competing individually as alternates or as a member of the school team are eligible to compete in the virtual California Academic Decathlon or Heptathlon.</li> </ul>