

**2023 Orange County
Academic Decathlon
9th & 10th Grade
Awards Ceremony**

Celebrating 55 years of academic excellence

Thank you coaches!

Allison Terhardt

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Calen Rau

Chris Esposito

Emily Turner

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Jasmine Lee

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Kady Fibrow

Kaitlyn Reuter

Kressler Nguyen-Valdez

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Nathan Vega

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Cheer on your teammates
in the Q&A!



PRESENTATION OF MEDALS

The background features a large, faint, circular seal of Orange County Community College. The seal contains the text "ORANGE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE" at the top and "ACADEMIC DEPARTMENT" at the bottom. In the center of the seal is a stylized figure holding a torch and a book, with a banner below it.

ART

ART - 5th Place

Maximus Seino

Valencia High School

Samantha Yokote

Esperanza High School

ART - 4th Place

Kaleb Phan

University High School

Rahila Sheikh

Pacifica High School

Annette Byun

Esperanza High School

ART - 3rd Place

Cynthia Wong

Esperanza High School

Ethan Lin

Tesoro High School

Amy Hu

University High School

Sophia Diaz

Esperanza High School

Rohan Apte

Valencia High School

ART - 2nd Place

Joseph Bohman

University High School

Gissely Rodriguez

Esperanza High School

Irene Pan

Valencia High School

ART – 1st Place

Kevin (Min Woo) Choi

University High School

Shiv Pisal

University High School

Rachel Tutt Pleiss

University High School

Aaron Chao

University High School



LITERATURE

LITERATURE – 5th Place

Kevin (Min Woo) Choi

University High School

Tanya Kannan

University High School

Ethan Lin

Tesoro High School

Luna Joo

Fairmont Preparatory Academy

Annette Byun

Esperanza High School

LITERATURE - 4th Place

Cynthia Wong

Esperanza High School

Rahila Sheikh

Pacifica High School

Sofia (Yik Ka) Xu

University High School

LITERATURE – 3rd Place

Kaleb Phan

University High School

Samantha Yokote

Esperanza High School

Amy Hu

University High School

Aashna Shah

Valencia High School

LITERATURE - 2nd Place

Joseph Bohman

University High School

Gissely Rodriguez

Esperanza High School

Ava Shvartsman

Fairmont Preparatory Academy

LITERATURE – 1st Place

Rachel Tutt Pless

University High School

Aaron Chao

University High School

Shiv Pisal

University High School

Irene Pan

Valencia High School



SOCIAL SCIENCE

SOCIAL SCIENCE - 5th Place

Ethan Lin

Tesoro High School

Nina Chen

University High School

Samantha Yokote

Esperanza High School

SOCIAL SCIENCE – 4th Place

Gissely Rodriguez

Esperanza High School

Rohan Apte

Valencia High School

Sophia Diaz

Esperanza High School

Aashna Shah

Valencia High School

SOCIAL SCIENCE – 3rd Place

Kevin (Min Woo) Choi **Rahila Sheikh**

University High School

Pacifica High School

Jaydon Vu

Bolsa Grande High School

Sofia (Yik Ka) Xu

University High School

SOCIAL SCIENCE – 2nd Place

Joseph Bohman

University High School

Luna Joo

Fairmont Preparatory Academy

Maximus Seino

Valencia High School

Irene Pan

Valencia High School

SOCIAL SCIENCE – 1st Place

Rachel Tutt Pless

University High School

Cynthia Wong

Esperanza High School

Kaleb Phan

University High School

Shiv Pisal

University High School

Aaron Chao

University High School

The background features a large, faint, circular seal of the University of Cambridge. The seal contains the text 'UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE' at the top and 'FUND. 1209' at the bottom. In the center of the seal is a crest depicting a book and a cross.

SCIENCE

SCIENCE - 5th Place

Rachel Tutt Pless

University High School

Erin Lee

Valencia High School

Irene Pan

Valencia High School

SCIENCE - 4th Place

Kevin (Min Woo) Choi

University High School

Amy Hu

University High School

Tanya Kannan

University High School

SCIENCE – 3rd Place

Cynthia Wong

Esperanza High School

Maximus Seino

Valencia High School

Luna Joo

Fairmont Preparatory Academy

SCIENCE – 2nd Place

Kaleb Phan

University High School

Ava Shvartsman

Fairmont Preparatory Academy

Shiv Pisal

University High School

Elizabeth Xu

Aliso Niguel High School

SCIENCE – 1st Place

Joseph Bohman

University High School

Jaydon Vu

Bolsa Grande High School

Aaron Chao

University High School

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SPEECH

SPEECH - 5th Place

Sophia Diaz

Esperanza High School

Rahila Sheikh

Pacifica High School

Annette Byun

Esperanza High School

SPEECH – 4th Place

Kevin (Min Woo) Choi

University High School

Kate Nguyen

Tesoro High School

Vanessa Bebout

Brea Olinda High School

Aaron Chao

University High School

Aashna Shah

Valencia High School

SPEECH – 3rd Place

Cynthia Wong

Esperanza High School

Amy Hu

University High School

Divya Agarwal

University High School

SPEECH – 2nd Place

Ethan Lin

Tesoro High School

Rachel Tutt Pless

University High School

Paola Silva

Esperanza High School

SPEECH – 1st Place

Shiv Pisal

University High School

Joseph Bohman

University High School

Erica Zhang

Valencia High School



CONGRATULATIONS

to all of our
Decathletes!

The 2023-2024 U.S. Academic Decathlon[®] theme will be **Technology and Humanity**.



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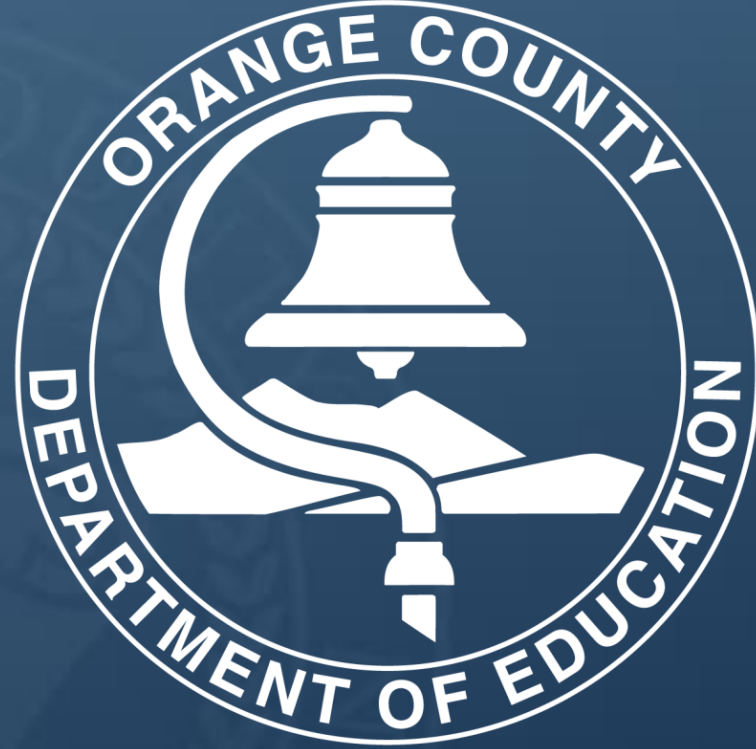
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Educational Organization
The Orange County Academic Decathlon (OCAD) invites public and private high school students to compete as team members in a series of academic tests and demonstrations.

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