

# *Team Building with Your Chapter Officers*

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As school begins and your chapter's new officer team is developing your Program of Leadership, it is important for your chapter leaders to understand their responsibilities for the upcoming year. Even more important for you chapter leaders to understand is the meaning of teamwork. They will represent your school and chapter all year, so they need to know how to work well together.

Team building activities are a great way to create relationships amongst the members of your chapter's officer team. These activities can establish how the team will face

and solve problems, generate ideas, and facilitate plans. Below are just a few ideas of activities your team could use to establish a strong, successful, dynamic team.

- Team Dinners
  - a. Team dinners are an awesome way to create conversation in a no-stress environment. Choose a local restaurant or someones house and find a night to enjoy dinner and hang out with each other!
- Escape Rooms
  - a. Participating in an escape room is a great way to build a team dynamic! The situations faced in escape rooms will help your team understand how each person approaches different road bumps and how you can effectively work through issues as a team.
- Virginia DECA Officer Leadership Retreat
  - a. Attending Virginia DECA's Officer Leadership Retreat will help strengthen your officer team and POL at the same time! There are several energizers and workshops led with the sole purpose to help empower your team.
- Meeting Energizers
  - a. Energizers at meetings are often overlooked. Taking 5 minutes at the beginning of meetings to get everyone's blood flowing will create a more positive and communicative environment.



We hope you find these team building ideas to be helpful for your chapter leaders to create some of their own #VADECAMoments! Good luck with all of your endeavours this year, chapter leaders!