



Alumni Information

Name: Michael Mankoff

Class of: 2008

How many years were you in DECA? Three Years

Who was your teacher for Marketing? Mr. Matthew Nicolo

What was your favorite DECA moment? I had many favorite DECA memories. As the Vice President my Senior Year, I was truly able to experience and learn from all DECA had to offer. "Staging" every year at the Broadmoor were special, being a finalist, and winning 5th in Quick Serve Restaurant Management were all great highlights. However, I think being awarded the Jim Tierney Memorial Scholarship at the State CDC was very special. To be awarded a scholarship dedicated to a man that meant so much to the DECA community, and especially the TJ community, was a very big honor.

What are you doing now? Currently, I am attending Mesa State College in Grand Junction, Colorado. I am majoring in Business Administration with an emphasis in management and marketing. Outside of academics, I play football for the Mesa State Mavericks and that manages to take up much of my free time.

Do you have a website? No

Any words of wisdom?

Treasure the time you have now, because before you know it high school will be over, then college, and then you will be out in the real world. Being grown up is fun, but it's a lot more fun *growing* up. Remember YOGOWUPI (You get out what you put in.) So try the best in everything you do, and you will be better off for it. And another quote to consider, "Don't count the days, make the days count." This is because before you know it, the days will all be gone.

Would you be interested in becoming an alumni DECA member with our chapter? Yes, I would.