



Eldridge Ravey-Port Neches Groves High School
Sonia Rodriguez-Mission High School
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Marketing Educators of Texas
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We support HB # 3418

Student organizations such as DECA (marketing education), FFA (agricultural science) and BPA (business education) develop leadership skills, provide college scholarships, create personal responsibility and ethics awareness while strengthening student commitment to academics. Youth leadership organizations such as these provide students with experiences that are not available in traditional classroom settings. At risk students benefit greatly from these programs. As sponsors of these programs (DECA) we have seen at risk students in our organizations blossom from potential drop-outs to outstanding leaders who go on to pursue higher education and fulfilling careers. By providing funds to these programs, at risk students are given a needed boost.