

## What is Academic Decathlon?

The Academic Junior High Decathlon is a competition for students in grades 6-8. There are ten events. Two are collaborative team efforts — a **logic quiz** with 20 rigorous thinking problems and a **super quiz** with 50 multiple choice questions on five broad academic themes. The remaining eight events test individual knowledge of the Roman Catholic doctrine (Religion), English/Spelling, Literature, Science, Mathematics, Current Events, Social Studies, and Fine Arts (Art and Music). Awards are given for individual and team performance. The regional event is held the first Saturday of March each year.

## The Academic Junior High Decathlon (AJHD) Mission

As Catholic school educators, we affirm that each young person entrusted to our care has been endowed by God with marvelous intellectual gifts and talents. The California Catholic Schools Academic Junior High Decathlon (or AJHD) strives to bring forth some of those academic talents and celebrate them in the context of spirit-filled competition. The five goals of the Decathlon are:

- to promote academic excellence
- to promote collaborative spirit and cooperative learning skills
- to promote logical and higher order thinking
- to recognize the contributions of parents, teachers, school administrators, and business and community members in supporting high standards for all students;
- to celebrate the diversity, excellence, and tradition of Catholic schools



2025 St. Serra Decathlon Teams



2023 St. Serra Logic Champions

## St. Serra Championship History

- 2025 Two St. Serra teams competed
   Mock Decathlon 1st Overall and 1st and 3rd place Logic Winners
- 2024 Two St. Serra teams competed 3rd place Social Studies
- 2023 1st Place Logic and 3rd place Mathematics
- 2021 3rd place Overall, 2nd place Super Quiz
   1st place Mathematics, 2nd place Social Studies, 3rd place Literature
- 2020 3rd place Overall and 3rd place Super Quiz
   1st place Literature, 1st place Mathematics,
   2nd place Current Events, 2nd place Social Studies,
   3rd place English/Grammar, 3rd place Science, 4th place Religion
- 2019 4th place Overall and 4th place Super Quiz
   2nd place English/Spelling, 3rd place Fine Arts
- 2018 3rd place Overall and 2nd place Logic
   1st place English, 1st place Mathematics, 2nd place Literature,
   3rd place Religion, 3rd place Social Studies, 4th place Science
- 2017 3rd place Overall, Tied for 2nd place Super Quiz, 3rd place Logic 1st place Current Events, 1st place English, 1st place Literature, 1st place Social Studies, 2nd place Religion, 3rd place Mathematics, 3rd place Science Mock Decathlon 1st place Logic in 2 mock competitions Mock Decathlon 1st place Super Quiz
- 2016 3rd place Overall and 3rd place Super Quiz
   1st place Fine Arts, 1st place Religion, 1st place Science,
   2nd place Mathematics, 2nd place Writing, 3rd place Social Studies,
   4th place Current Events

- 2015 2nd place Overall
- 2014 Diocese & State Champions
- 2013 2nd place Overall
- 2012 Diocese & State Champions and State Event Host
- 2011 Diocese & State Champions
- 2009 Serra Catholic School (Team and School) Send Sponsorship to Winning School to offset the cost of their travel to Sacramento, CA
- 2006 State Event Host
- 2005 Diocese Champions
- 2004 Serra Catholic School Participates in OCDE Pentathlon This Year Serra Catholic School Teachers Write Decathlon Assessments
- 2003 Diocese & State Champions
- 2002 Diocese Champions
- 1998 Serra Catholic's first year participating
- 1997 AJHD started in the Diocese of Orange

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