

# PAGE Georgia Academic Decathlon

## GAD HISTORY

The Academic Decathlon program was inaugurated in 1968 by Dr. Robert Peterson, superintendent of Orange County Schools in California. It was expanded in 1979 to a statewide competition, and the first national academic program was held in 1982 with 19 states participating. Twenty-six (26) states and five (5) foreign countries participated in the 1983 competition as the program expanded on a national basis.

Georgia Academic Decathlon held its first competition in 1987. Mr. Howard Stroud, assistant superintendent of Clarke County Schools, served as the first state director of Georgia Academic Decathlon. Clarke County Schools, aided by a state grant, directed and hosted the Georgia Academic Decathlon for seven years.

Beginning in 1993, the Professional Association of Georgia Educators became the sponsoring agent with Gwinnett County Public Schools serving as the host school district for the state competition. Participation in GAD has grown slowly but steadily.

The goal of PAGE Georgia Academic Decathlon is to move steadily toward having every high school in Georgia participating in Academic Decathlon.

### **State Championship Teams:**

	1993	H.V. Jenkins High School	Chatham County
	1994	Cedar Shoals High School	Clarke County
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2001	Division I	Cedar Shoals High School	Clarke County
	Division II	Central High School	Bibb County
2002	Division I	Central High School	Bibb County
	Division II	Savannah Arts Academy	Chatham County
2003	Division I	*Berkmar High School	Gwinnett County
	Division II	Savannah Arts Academy	Chatham County
2004	Division I	*Berkmar High School	Gwinnett County
	Division II	Columbus High School	Muscogee County
2005	Division I	*Berkmar High School	Gwinnett County
	Division II	Columbus High School	Muscogee County
2006	Division I	*Berkmar High School	Gwinnett County
	Division II	Lakeside Ft. Oglethorpe High School	Catoosa County
2007	Division I	*Berkmar High School	Gwinnett County
	Division II	Columbus High School	Muscogee County

2008	Division I	*Berkmar High School	Gwinnett County
	Division II	Lakeview Ft. Oglethorpe High School	Catoosa County
	Medium School Online Rep	Lakeview Ft. Oglethorpe High School	Catoosa County
	Small School Online Rep	Chattahoochee County High School	Chattahoochee County
2009	Division I	Berkmar High School	Gwinnett County
	Division II	*Lakeview Ft. Oglethorpe High School	Catoosa County
	Medium School Online Rep	Cook High School	Cook County
	Small School Online Rep	Chattahoochee County High School	Chattahoochee County

\* Howard Stroud Winner – State Championship Team