

# How to Get Started

- Select a coach
- Meet with school administrators to receive permission/blessing
- Contact Texas Academic Decathlon: 210-632-8796; email: [director@txacadec.org](mailto:director@txacadec.org)
- Apply for the first-year supply grant (receive from state director)
- Register your team: <https://forms.gle/dAXSEUkeUbbmpRbd7>
- Use official **USAD** curriculum and visit the USAD website ([www.usad.org](http://www.usad.org)) for details
- Meet with interested students
- Recruit faculty and community co-coaches
- Select nine or more students for the team (Each nine-member team consists of three Honors (3.80 – 4.00 GPA), three Scholastic (3.20 – 3.799 GPA), and three Varsity (0.00 – 3.199 GPA) students)
- Prepare and practice