

# **PHI THETA KAPPA HONOR CODE FOR REGIONAL OFFICERS**

## **Mission Statement**

The purpose of Phi Theta Kappa shall be to recognize and encourage scholarship among two-year college students. To achieve this purpose, Phi Theta Kappa shall provide opportunity for the development of leadership and service, for an intellectual climate for exchange of ideas and ideals, for lively fellowship for scholars, and for stimulation of interest in continuing academic excellence.

## **Introduction**

In support of the Society's Mission Statement, the Phi Theta Kappa Board of Directors and the Ohio Region adopt this Honor Code as a declaration of the high standards of conduct to which Regional Officers are held. This Honor Code is not simply a set of rules and procedures governing Regional Officers' academic conduct nor is it a legal contractual obligation of Phi Theta Kappa or me individually; it is an opportunity to put personal responsibility and integrity into action. As a Regional Officer abides by this code, he or she liberates himself or herself to serve the Region and the Society in an atmosphere of mutual confidence and respect. The success of the Code depends upon the support of the Region. Infractions should be reported to a chapter advisor, who may communicate this information to the Regional Coordinator.

## HONOR CODE

As a Regional Officer:

I will conduct myself at all times in a manner that reflects positively on myself, my chapter, my region, and the Society.

I place as a priority continued academic excellence.

I am committed to maintaining an environment which recognizes the dignity of each individual member and encourages appreciation of diverse backgrounds, opinions and goals in life.

I am committed to honesty and integrity in personal, social, and academic endeavors.

I will work with the Regional Coordinator and the Society's leaders in the same spirit of cooperation I display in my dealings with others.

I will respond promptly, courteously, and positively to the concerns and requests of the Regional Coordinator and other Society constituents.

I will fulfill my responsibilities in an effective, efficient, and timely manner.

I will conduct myself in a manner which is respectful of others and worthy of respect from others.

I will dress appropriately for any and all occasions.

I will not engage in any conduct which may bring shame or disrepute to myself or diminish the reputation of my Region or Phi Theta Kappa.

I will not engage in any illegal activity or violate any stated policies of the Region or the Society.

I will not consume and will discourage the consumption of alcohol at Phi Theta Kappa functions.

I will not use or possess nor tolerate the use or possession of controlled substances.

I have read, understood and agree to the terms and conditions of the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Code. I further understand and agree that my continued service as a regional officer is a privilege, not a right, and that violation of this code will subject me to discipline determined appropriate by the Regional Coordinator or their designees. Additionally, I understand that pursuant to the procedures outlined by the Regional By Laws, I have the right to appeal disciplinary action which results in my removal from office.

\_\_\_\_\_ Officer or Officer Candidate

\_\_\_\_\_ Date

\_\_\_\_\_ Regional Coordinator