Orientation & Induction

DKG was founded to bring together qualified women educators serving in a broad spectrum of educational fields, to strengthen qualified women educators serving in a broad spectrum of educational fields and to pursue worthwhile projects. There are three levels of organization in DKG:

- 1. Chapter
- 2. State
- 3. International



Delta Kappa Gamma includes more than 90,000 members in 17 member countries and 80 state organizations. DKG offers members conferences, affinity benefits, professional liability insurance, networking opportunities, private social network, face-to-face learning opportunities, and support as you strive for your own excellence. The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International continues to impact excellence in education worldwide in a variety of ways but most directly as it focuses on supporting early-career educators.



Chapter members suggest names for membership. Prospective members are sent the "prospect letter" from our Membership chair which includes information about the Society and our chapter's meetings and projects. They are contacted by the Membership chair who suggests they view the chapter's website "DKG New Member Orientation" section. The chair explains the relationship between the levels of the Society: chapter – state organization – international. She tells them the benefits of DKG and what DKG can offer members. She explains DKG's purposes. She lets the prospective member know that chapters are vital to the Society, but are part of a bigger picture. She invites them to attend a meeting. When and if the prospective member

accepts the invitation to join the chapter, a simple induction into the chapter occurs. Then they are given a name badge with the keypin. (The chapter purchases these for the new members.) At the Birthday Dinner in May, we hold a formal ceremony for all who were inducted in the chapter for the year. We use the Ceremonies manual for Induction. The table is arranged with the needlepoint crest and key, candles, Gamma Alpha registry book, and a red rose for each new member as suggested in the Ceremonies manual. Following the ceremony, new initiates sign the registry. After the ceremony and signing of the registry, new initiates meet the chapter members in a receiving line. Before they leave the meeting, they fill out information card for the treasurer.

Responsibilities of Membership

The responsibilities of membership in Delta Kappa Gamma should be taken seriously, not only by payment of dues, but also by participation in all activities of the organization. A good Delta Kappa Gamma member comes to as many chapter meetings she is able. We welcome members when we see them. A member wears her key pin at educational gatherings. She takes part in the program when asked and assumes her duties as committee member. She supports Delta Kappa Gamma policies and works for the advancement of women educators. She attends, whenever possible, state and international conventions and regional meetings. When a member resigns, she should return her key pin.