

# Honor Code for Texas Regional Officers

## Purpose Statement

Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society exists to provide recognition for academic excellence and opportunities for all college students to grow as scholars and leaders as early as possible during their pursuit of a college degree or credential.

## Introduction

In support of the Society's Mission Statement, the Phi Theta Kappa Board of Directors and the Texas 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 you individually; it is an opportunity to put personal responsibility and integrity into action. As a Regional Officer abides by this code, they liberate themselves 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 my chapter, my region, the Society, and myself.

I place as a priority continued academic excellence.

I am committed to maintaining an environment that 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 recognize that a successful Regional Leadership Team requires a team effort, and I pledge to work together to promote the Society's Mission.

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 Society constituents.

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

I will conduct myself in a manner that 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 that 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 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, possess, or tolerate the use or possession of controlled substances.

I have read, understand, 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 the code will subject me to discipline determined appropriate by the Regional Coordinator or their designees. Additionally, I understand that pursuant to the procedures outlined in the Regional Bylaws, I have the right to appeal disciplinary action that results in my removal from office.

**Officer or Officer Candidate:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Chapter:** \_\_\_\_\_

**College:** \_\_\_\_\_

**As College President, I understand the commitment our Chapter has made.**

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Signature of College President

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Date

