



FACTS ABOUT CHI STATE / CALIFORNIA

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

Chi State became the 22nd State of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International in 1936. The Society, an honor and service organization was founded on May 11, 1929, in Austin, Texas, and now numbers some 95,000 members from 18 countries.

The Founders believed in the need for an organization in which women educators, at all levels, selected from among the best in the profession, might be united under its Seven Purposes in order to enhance professional standards, provide support to teachers, and improve education. The Greek name combines the initial letters of the three Greek words meaning "key women educators".

WHO CAN BELONG?

Women educators who are employed in any educational position, who are self-employed educators, or who are retired from any educational position.
Membership is by invitation and based on potential.

WHY BELONG?

Grow and become leaders in a safe, supportive environment
Flourish as new educators
Receive grants from Learning Is For Everyone (LIFE) Foundation
Get support from Teachers Helping Another Teacher (THAT) Program
Pursue career success
Achieve professionalism
Influence education reform through DKG's Sacramento Legislative Advocate

WHAT DOES DKG OFFER?

Scholarships and grants
Leadership opportunities
Professional development and growth
Networking
International and local service projects via our Schools for Africa & Jared Boxes

HOW DOES IT WORK?

The organization is comprised of four levels: chapter, state, regional, and international. Large states organize their chapters through Areas. California has 18. The heart of Society efforts is the Chapter of which California has 171 and approximately 6000 members. Annual dues and fund raising support Society work.