



INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KEY WOMEN EDUCATORS
DELTA KAPPA GAMMA™

**The
ABC's
of
DKG**

Chi State Leadership Development Committee

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The ABCs of DKG—“The Lingo” for Leaders

Adopt-A-Legislator: (Legislative) A Chapter establishes a rapport and direct communication with an assembly and/or senate member in Sacramento.

Bill Evaluator: (Legislative) A DKG member with an in depth knowledge of a particular program area, who reviews the legislative bills and makes recommendations to the Legislative Coordinator. Training is provided by the Chi State Legislative Advocate.

Celebration of Life: The Convention ceremony honoring those members who passed away during the year.

Chi State Convention: This annual meeting of the Chi State Executive Board and other members is held each May in Northern or Southern California.

Chi State Education Center: The headquarters for the California State Organization located in Sacramento.

Chi State Executive Board: Comprised of all Chapter Presidents, Elected Chi State Officers, and Past Chi State Presidents. The Executive Board meets annually at the Chi State Convention to conduct business as designated in the State bylaws and standing rules.

Chi State Executive Committee: Chi State President, 1st VP, 2nd VP, Recording Secretary, and Corresponding Secretary are elected every two years. Appointed positions are Treasurer, Executive Secretary and Parliamentarian. The immediate past president is also a member of this committee.

Chi State Leadership Retreat: (Leadership Development) Leadership activities designed for the general membership. It is held each year in January alternately in northern or southern California.

Chi State News: The official quarterly news publication for all Chi State members. A \$3.00 publication fee is included in annual State dues.

Chi State: The official name for the California State Organization of Delta Kappa Gamma in California.

Community Project/Youth at Risk (Awards & Recognitions): Chapters are involved in a variety of community projects and projects designed to help students at risk. Each Chapter is recognized for its work on these special projects.

Distinguished Service Award: (Awards & Recognitions) Awards are given to women who have demonstrated distinctive service in any field of education at the Chapter, Area, and State level. There are three (3) categories for this Award: Service to Chi State, Service to the Profession, and Public Service. The recipient of the Outstanding Public Service Award does not have to be a member of the Society.

DKG Structure: Three levels in the organization: Chapter, State (some large states are divided into areas), and International (divided into five (5) regions).

Five Star Honor Chapter: A Chapter that meets 23 of the 36 honor criteria is recognized as a Five Star Honor Chapter.

Going Green: (Global Awareness): A Chi State Program that promotes ideas and projects for a more environmentally friendly lifestyle.

Honor Chapter Program: An Honor Chapter is actively dedicated to education and the Seven Purposes of the Society and meets the criteria for this designation.

Hostelship Program: (Awards & Recognitions) This program encourages DKG members to continue their professional and personal growth by providing Hostelship Awards each year for travel with the Road Scholar Programs.

Jared Boxes: The goal of this project is to lift the spirits of chronically ill children. The Jared Box is a plastic shoebox filled with small gifts, toys, cards and games. These are delivered to local hospitals.

Legislative Study Session: (Legislative) A two day biennial event in Sacramento to see, up close and personal, the California Legislature in action.

LIFE Foundation: (Learning Is For Everyone) This Chi State non-profit foundation promotes and supports special projects related to learning and literacy within California. Chapters and individuals may apply for grants.

Order of the Rose: An honor given to the Chapters who have initiated three or more members during the year.

Penne Ferrell Award: (Early Career Educators) A monetary award given to deserving teachers (first through third year of teaching) for classroom reading materials.

Recruitment Grants: Monetary awards given to non DKG members to support their professional education.

S.E.E.: Support Early Career Educators is an International program modeled on the California THAT program.

Scholarships: Monetary awards given to DKG members who are working to obtain a Master's Degree or Doctorate.

Schools For Africa: The Society's first official International project that supports education in 11 sub-Saharan African countries.

Seven Purposes: Unite, Honor, Advance, Support, Endow, Stimulate, & Inform

Strategic Action Plan: All Chi State committees must submit a SAP each year. This plan is an ongoing process of goal setting and reflection focusing on membership, program, leadership, communications, and finances.

Student Teacher Award: A monetary award given by Chi State and some Areas and Chapters to recognize an outstanding student teacher.

THAT (Teachers Helping Another Teacher) This is a California State organization program. Teachers volunteer to help other teachers in their classrooms or at their schools. Hours are recorded semi-annually by members and submitted to the Early Career Educators Committee.

World Fellowship: (Global Awareness) International project that provides monetary grants for women from non-member countries to pursue advanced study in the United States and Canada.