

“Nothing ventured. Nothing gained.”

Believe in the countless opportunities Delta Kappa Gamma has to offer.

Belong not just as a member, but actively participate with bold commitment and determination to build Ohio’s future.

As we (your State Leadership Team) continue on our DKG journey this biennium, we want to ask each of you this question. Where is your DKG journey currently taking you? To your next chapter meeting? Involvement with your chapter’s Foster Care program/project? To a state function, such as the DKG/Ohio State Convention in March, or to our next International Convention in Philadelphia, PA next July or perhaps as far as Austin, Texas to the Ignite-DKG Leadership Management Seminar? We ask this question because, beyond our primary biennium goal of growing and strengthening Ohio’s chapters, another strategic goal is to increase membership commitment through participation in DKG beyond the chapter level.

Are you aware of the many **opportunities** that are available to you as a member of our organization? Your membership in DKG is multi-level (chapter, state, and International) and multi-faceted and if you are not taking full advantage of the countless offerings, now is the time to start! Being active only in your chapter is like standing at the airport, watching airplanes arrive, passengers disembark, observing others board, take off and fly to known destinations. The problem is...you are the one without a ticket...the one left behind on the concourse with no travel plans...and the one with a missed opportunity to further grow personally and professionally.

Remember, at your induction into Delta Kappa Gamma you were recognized as a “key woman educator.” With that acknowledgment and membership comes many additional benefits, advantages and opportunities! Countless opportunities for leadership; travel; networking; financial assistance; discounts; activism; publishing; recognitions (and the list does go on). Why not step-up your participation? Be bold and determined in your efforts. View your membership responsibilities as positive possibilities/opportunities rather than negative tasks of impositions/irritations. Research and explore the numerous preferences/options available through membership in Delta Kappa Gamma. Select and chose the opportunities that best enhance you personally, as well as professionally to gain and profit the most from your membership in Delta Kappa Gamma.

Your DKG membership affords you a distinct opportunity to learn...to lead...and to make a difference. Your State Leadership Team is available and eager to encourage and support you in your DKG journey in any way we can. “Nothing ventured...nothing gained” is a wise adage. Do not be the one left behind...**be brave, get on board, take flight and always believe something wonderful is about to happen as a result of your membership in DKG!**

WHY BELONG TO ***THIS*** INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY?

"The best feature of Delta Kappa Gamma is the new friendships which it brings. I value you."

Dr. Annie Web Blanton, Founder

- Because...** You will be proud of the honor of being recognized as a key woman educator.
- Because....** You can profit by fellowship with a worldwide, international network of Key Women Educators at all levels with nearly 67,000+ members in 17 countries.
- Because....** You may apply for an International Scholarship for graduate studies or for a doctoral program.
- Because....** You will have opportunities for professional and personal growth through scholarships and leadership seminars; and workshops at regional conferences and international and state Conventions.
- Because...** You can become an International Speaker.
- Because...** You can apply for the DKG Ignite: Leader Management Seminar.
- Because...** You can apply for support from the Educational Foundation for a project or for a Cornetet Individual Professional Development or Seminar Award.
- Because...** You can be proud of your Society, working with the Fulbright organization to bring promising women from developing countries to universities in Canada and the U.S.
- Because...** You are one of nearly 67,000+ women who contribute more than \$3 million annually for local, state organization and international scholarships that benefit members and non-members alike.
- Because...** Through affiliation with the United Nations and UNICEF, you can be a part of the effort to support Schools in Africa.
- Because...** You can be a part of the International project – Support Early-Year Educators.
- Because...** You may be asked to serve as the regional representative on one of the International committees, as a member of the state leadership team, or as a member of your chapter leadership team.
- Because...** You will receive support as you assume leadership roles.
- Because...** You will be the recipient of leadership training and opportunities at all levels of the Society.
- Because...** You can attend regional conferences or International conventions and hear Eunah Temple Holden speakers.
- Because...** You can participate in Leadership training for state organization presidents, treasurers, editors, webmasters, and Educational Excellence and Membership chairmen.
- Because...** You can receive project grants funded by DKG Educational Foundation.
- Because...** You can receive awards for professional development funded by the Lucille Cornetet bequest.
- Because...** You receive publications such as *The Delta Kappa Gamma Collegial Exchange-International Journal for Professional Education*, *The DKG News*, *The Voice of DKG-Ohio State Organization*, *Get Connected* publication, and the *Presidents' Page* for chapter presidents.
- Because...** You can publish articles in a juried professional journal – *The Delta Kappa Gamma Collegial Exchange*.

- Because...** You will receive recognition for achievements in your profession and your community.
- Because ...** You can participate in insurance offerings and group discounts.
- Because...** You can receive assistance from the Emergency Fund in times of disaster.
- Because...** You can participate in opportunities to assist women educators in non-Society countries to study in Canada and the U.S. through contributions to the World Fellowship Fund.
- Because...** You are one or thousands of key women educators around the world who join together to contribute to excellence in education and impact education worldwide.
- Because...** You will be part of an up-to-date network on educational and legislative issues.
- Because...** As a member of Ohio State Organization, you automatically have membership in the Alpha Delta State Organization Educational Foundation (ADSOEF).
- Because...** You can receive ADSOEF Scholarships:
- Annie Webb Blanton Scholarship – stipends for graduate work at any accredited university
 - Florence L. Woodward Scholarship – stipend for graduate study at Kent State University
 - Margaret L. White Scholarship – stipend for graduate work at The Ohio State University
 - Ruth Grimes Scholarship – stipend for graduate work at Miami University
- Because...** You can receive an ADSOEF: A. Margaret Boyd Overseas Fellowship – fellowships for members studying in any overseas country for up to one year.
- Because...** You can participate in the Ohio State Organization Biennial Seminar for learning and fellowship.
- Because...** You can support student teachers through the Ohio State Organization Esther H. Strickland Student Teaching Grant – grants for college seniors in education in Ohio's state supported colleges and universities.
- Because...** Members are empowered with new knowledge and professional development targeted towards reaching their full potential.
- Because...** You will be thrilled to tell your members about all these possibilities and many more that you continue to discover in your Society journey.
- Because...** **YOUR Reasons:**
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* Expansion/Membership Resource Tool
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Opportunities through DKG

