



A Message to College Presidents/CEOs



“Strong support of Phi Theta Kappa by college leaders has positive benefits for the college and its students. It results in greater student retention and engagement in college activities, and it makes chapters more visible and effective in their communities. The combined commitment of colleges and Phi Theta Kappa chapters can be a powerful force to increase student completion rates.”

Dr. Walter G. Bumphus, President and CEO, American Association of Community Colleges
Member of the Phi Theta Kappa Board of Directors

Phi Theta Kappa improves student success by providing a framework for academic recognition, experiential learning and credential completion:

Student Development: Participation in Phi Theta Kappa programs promotes cognitive and psychosocial development by providing co-curricular transformational learning experiences that enhance student outcomes. The Five Star Competitive Edge professional development plan fosters such skills and abilities as critical thinking, writing, professional etiquette and goal setting.

Student Retention: Phi Theta Kappa members become engaged in campus-based, specially designed service learning and leadership programs, activities proven to increase retention and persistence to graduation. Phi Theta Kappa chapters are leading a global effort to involve all student organizations in promoting college completion.

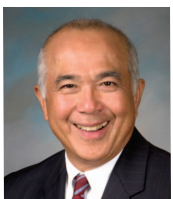
Scholarship Opportunities: Members are eligible for \$37 million in transfer scholarships offered by more than 700 colleges and universities; and for Phi Theta Kappa-administered scholarships totaling \$1 million, to fund associate and baccalaureate studies. Members traditionally perform well in All-USA Community College Academic Team, Coca-Cola Community College Academic Team and Jack Kent Cooke Scholarship competitions.

Transfer and Career Resources: All members have automatic access to the only educational and transfer planning tool developed specifically for community college students, CollegeFish.org, and to Phi Theta Kappa career resources, all designed to foster associate degree and certificate completion.



“As president, I recognize and support Phi Theta Kappa for its many and varied pathways to learning and leadership that strengthen students’ resolve to achieve their educational goals. Working with the Phi Theta Kappa students and advisors, one gains an understanding of the power of Phi Theta Kappa to inspire minds and lives.”

Dr. Marie Foster-Gnage, President, West Virginia University at Parkersburg



“If I could communicate one thing to my fellow college presidents, it would be the difference Phi Theta Kappa can make in students’ lives. And, if you have the Phi Theta Kappa structure in place on your campus, you have a student leadership development program that encompasses planning, goal setting and civic engagement.”

Dr. Humphrey Lee, President, Northwest-Shoals Community College, Alabama
Phi Theta Kappa Chapter Advisor and Alabama Regional Coordinator



“Colleges that benefit the most from Phi Theta Kappa provide various forms of support to advisors and the chapters. I encourage you to contact me personally to discuss how you can get the most for your students and colleges by supporting Phi Theta Kappa on your campus.”

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