

# 🌸 The Phoenix Award for Chapter Improvement 🌸

It's time to celebrate your chapter's amazing journey! The **Phoenix Award** honors chapters that have taken bold steps to soar higher in chapter management, programming, and overall effectiveness. Let's cheer for your hard work and growth! 🎉

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## 🦋 Eligibility 🦋

Are you ready to shine? To be eligible:

- Your chapter must have achieved improvements during the **2025–2026 academic year**.
  - Your chapter must have been chartered on or before **July 1, 2023**.
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## 🏆 Award Criteria 🏆

### 1. Chapter Health

👤 Share your incredible transformation! Tell us the story of where your chapter started, the changes you made, and the vibrant chapter you are today. Don't forget key dates and your creative ways of engaging members across all types (undergraduate, graduate, alumni, etc.).

### 2. Chapter Leadership

👑 Highlight the stars in your chapter! Document your current officers, their training, committee participation, and how they connect with members and the National Office. Let us know how you're preparing the next wave of leaders!

### 3. Chapter Activities

🎭 Celebrate your signature moments! Provide details about two impactful programs or meetings, including topics, dates, attendance, and the impact on participants. Showcase your involvement in campus, KDP, and community events!

### 4. Chapter Membership

- ☀️ Show us how your chapter is growing! Describe your recruitment strategies, membership initiatives, and how you're keeping the KDP spirit alive through initiations, renewals, and retention.
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## Submission Requirements

Here's how to enter:

- Complete the online entry form.
- Provide detailed descriptions for each criteria area.
- Include supplemental documents or creative materials to support your narrative.

💡 *Pro Tip:* Add a touch of fun by sharing visuals, stories, or other creative materials!

If you have questions, our Member Experience Team is here to help at [MET@kdp.org](mailto:MET@kdp.org). ❤️

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## Bonus Points Opportunities!

You've got the spotlight—now let's see your creativity shine!

- Demonstrate use of current KDP logo and identity as the premier *National Professional Association and Honor Society for Educators* for up to **2 bonus points!**
  - Create a short video or other creative submission for up to **5 bonus points!**
  - Demonstrate how your chapter embodies KDP's Core Values: **Community, Belonging, Leadership, and Celebration** for up to **4 bonus points!**
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## Be Recognized and Applauded!

This is your chapter's chance to rise like a phoenix and be celebrated for your hard work and success. Submit your entry and show us how far you've come—because your journey is worth celebrating! 🚀