

✿ Rising Star Award for New Chapters ✿

Let's Celebrate Your Chapter's Big Debut! 🎉

The Rising Star Award honors the newest shining stars of KDP! This award recognizes new chapters that have dazzled us with outstanding management and programming in their first biennium. Let's celebrate your hard work, creativity, and incredible journey!

💡 Eligibility: Are You a Rising Star?

To qualify for this prestigious award, your chapter must:

1. Have been active for **1 to 3 academic years**.
 2. Have hosted **at least one initiation per year**.
 3. Have submitted the Chapter Affiliation Agreement on time.
 4. Showcase **at least 4 impactful programs and/or activities**.
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✦ How to Shine Bright in Your Submission:

We want to hear how your chapter is shooting for the stars!

1. **Chapter Experience:**
 - Share the highlights of how your chapter has engaged members since installation by celebrating achievements, gathering feedback through surveys, and helping members prepare for post-graduation success.
2. **Membership Growth:**
 - Provide attendance from general meetings.
 - Show how you've shared KDP benefits and services with members.
 - Describe how you have helped your members feel like they are part of a community.
3. **Chapter Leadership:**
 - Enter your current chapter officers in your chapter dashboard.
 - Describe officer training and leadership development opportunities.
4. **Chapter Programs:**
 - Highlight two standout programs that exemplify excellence in areas such as community service, professional development, leadership development, or Celebration of Teaching.
 - Include program titles, dates, attendance, and the impact they've had.
5. **Future Planning:**

- Share your big dreams! How will you use lessons learned to plan better programs and grow your chapter?
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Submission Checklist: What to Include

A complete submission has:

- ✓ An **online entry form**.
- ✓ A description for each criteria area.
- ✓ Supplemental documents (like photos, flyers, or videos!) to bring your story to life.

Bonus Points Opportunity!

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

- Demonstrate your chapter's use of the current KDP logo and identity as the premier *National Professional Association and Honor Society for Educators* – up to **2 bonus points!**
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Judging and Awards

Your chapter will be evaluated on the criteria above using a scoring rubric. Winners will be chosen for their excellence and innovation.

Let's Celebrate Together!

Don't miss this chance to show off your chapter's success. Submit your application today and join the ranks of KDP's brightest stars!

For questions, contact the Member Experience Team at MET@kdp.org.

☀️ **Keep Shining Bright!** ☀️