Ceremony for Graduating Members of Kappa Delta Pi

(This is an optional ceremony, which may be used immediately following the initiation ritual to recognize graduating members at the same meeting. It is appropriate at any time during the final semester leading to graduation. This ceremony is only appropriate for members who are current with Headquarters and meet minimum chapter activity requirements.

Counselor: During the initiation ritual we just reaffirmed our commitment to the Ideals of the Society. The Society impacts the lives of others only as far as we, the members, continue to live the ideals of Fidelity to Humanity, Science, Service, and Toil. This means we continue to promote education that develops more meaningful lives based on unbiased science. We inspire and strengthen others, and promote peace and social justice by working to create self-actualized lives. The Kappa Delta Pi motto of Knowledge, Duty, and Power is our way of life.

To this end, Kappa Delta Pi continues to provide the tools that support professional growth for members who embark upon a life of service following graduation from baccalaureate, master, or doctoral programs. This support includes opportunities to meet other educators who value the same ideas and commitment to education, career planning, and network support.

Membership does not end with your collegiate years. We expect your commitment to continue to develop leadership skills through membership in a local professional/Alumni Chapter or by volunteering on a KDP committee. Earn continuing education credit through KDP’s Webinar series, read publications and e-newsletters, participate in practicing teacher sessions at Convocation, or present at KDP conferences.

Kappa Delta Pi provides support throughout your life-cycle as an educator, from novice teacher through distinguished teacher to emeriti.

(Ask graduates to come forward and receive the honor cords when their names are read. If time and numbers allow, briefly state a contribution each graduate has made to the chapter.)