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I. Student Life

Student Life is coordinated by the College's Student Life Committee. The committee, whose members include students, faculty, and staff, is responsible for: 1) planning, coordinating and sponsoring campus-wide student activities; educational and cultural events; 2) assisting student clubs and organizations with resources and training; 3) coordinating events and programs of student clubs through the Club Council; and 4) allocating the student activity fee funds for programs and services that benefit students and student club activities.

Student Life events include: Welcome Back, Constitution Day, Veteran's Day, Shocktoberfest, Easter Egg Hunt, SAVE A LIFE, guest speakers, special events throughout the year, and Spring Fling. Student Life sponsored programs and services include: 1) support for the campus literary magazine – Milestone; 2) diploma covers for graduates; 3) refreshments for student orientation events and career workshops; and 4) student club support.

The Student Club Council members are invited to serve on the Student Life Committee and are also considered for the Board of Trustees student representative position. The council coordinates club activities and events.

II. Student Organizations and Clubs

Students are encouraged to form clubs and organizations focusing on special interests or curriculum programs. Although organizations and clubs have membership requirements, no College organization or club may discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, age, disability, religion, nationality or political preference. See – 6.04.05.01 – Student Clubs and Organizations Official Recognition.

III. Student Club Council

The Student Club Council, under the direction of the Dean of Students, has established requirements for forming and operating student clubs and organizations. These regulations are outlined in the Student Handbook. Student organizations must have official college recognition to use the College's facilities or to conduct activities on campus. (See Administrative Procedures 6.04.05.01 – Student Clubs and Organizations Official Recognition)

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IV. National Technical Honor Society

The National Technical Honor Society is an acknowledged leader in recognizing outstanding student achievement in workforce education. Over 1,500 schools and colleges throughout the United States and foreign countries are affiliated with NTHS.

The College Chapter of the National Technical Honor Society was chartered to recognize the achievement of full and part-time students. Members are nominated by program faculty from the student population with a 3.0 or greater grade point average and who have completed 12 hours of academic coursework above the 100 level. To be eligible for membership, a nominee must be enrolled as an active student in a degree, diploma, or certificate program. Students with a current behavioral Code of Conduct issue on record will not be considered for participation or receive designation.

Nominees must:

1. Maintain the highest standard of personal and professional conduct;
2. Strive for excellence in all aspects of education and employment;
3. Refuse to engage in or condone activities for personal gain at the expense of their fellow students, school or employer;
4. Support the mission and purpose of NTHS while working to achieve the society's objectives and goals; and
5. Fulfill their obligations as citizens of their community and country.

V. Alpha Beta Gamma International Business Honor Society – Alpha Omega Chapter

Alpha Beta Gamma International Business Honor Society is the sole business honor society for accredited junior, community and technical two-year colleges. The society exists to recognize and reward academic excellence among business, management, and professional field honor students and to recognize the contribution to learning and business of professionals in the local communities. Members of Alpha Beta Gamma are challenged to subscribe to the society's high ideals of scholarship, leadership and cooperation. Students with a current behavioral Code of Conduct issue on record will not be considered for participation or receive designation.

To be considered for membership, students must:

1. Be currently enrolled as a full or part-time student in a qualifying business or professional associate in applied science program;

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2. Have completed at least 12 hours of college-level academic credit during the previous four semesters;
3. Have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher;

VI. Phi Theta Kappa- Alpha Eta Nu Chapter

The mission of Phi Theta Kappa is to recognize academic achievement of college students and to provide opportunities for them to grow as scholars and leaders. PTK's work involves providing support for the continued success of the nation's top community college students, while also working to support and strengthen the nation's community colleges through the following three commitments: caring for students, caring for student success, and caring for community colleges.

Students with a current behavioral Code of Conduct issue on record will not be considered for participation or receive designation.

To be considered for membership, students must:

4. Be currently enrolled as a full or part-time student;
5. Have completed at least 12 hours of college-level academic credit during the previous four semesters;
6. Have a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher;

Cross Reference: 6.04.05.01 Student Clubs and Organizations Official Recognition

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