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Dear Eligio:

The fact that you have been elected to Membership in the Alpha Beta Kappa National Honor Society immediately distinguishes you from other students in your graduating class. It proves that you understand the meaning of hard work and are willing to go the "extra distance" necessary to achieve academic excellence.

The emblem, the Gold Key, should be worn with pride. It bears the Greek letters A.B.K., a five-pointed star, laurel branches and two of the finest words in any language -- Integrity and Excellence. Your Certificate is the official record of your accomplishment and should be proudly displayed for all to see.

By words and example, the Members of the Alpha Beta Kappa National Honor Society reflect the concern, modesty, friendly spirit and good nature that characterize the qualities found in true leaders.

You are to be commended; and hopefully, this accomplishment will inspire you to reach new levels of achievement in your life, both personally and professionally.

Sincerely,

Chari

Christopher Davis, President Alpha Beta Kappa Honor Society

Enclosures



ALPHA BETA KAPPA NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

The Alpha Beta Kappa National Honor Society recognizes superior student academic achievement at many private postsecondary schools, institutes, colleges and universities throughout our nation. It is the mark of distinction for an institution to be awarded a Chapter of Alpha Beta Kappa.

The fact that an individual is elected to membership in this honor fraternity sets her or him apart as an exemplar of personal integrity and excellence. It is the uncommon person who qualifies for membership in Alpha Beta Kappa.

RECOGNITION CERTIFICATE AND HONORS

Each honor graduate elected to membership receives a personalized membership certificate. This certificate includes the candidate's name, institution, Chapter affiliation, and date of graduation. To properly honor this achievement, each certificate also includes the Alpha Beta Kappa Gold Seal of Distinction and Official Crest as seen above.

ABK GOLD KEY



To accompany this certificate, each outstanding student receives this Honorary Alpha Beta Kappa Gold Key. Professionally diestruck, sandblasted and polished, each Gold Key bears the Greek letters A.B.K., a five-pointed star, laurel branches, and two of the finest words in any language – "Integrity" and "Excellence."

Each honor student also receives a special congratulatory letter from Alpha Beta Kappa, a narrative that describes the society, and upon request a letter of reference to use when seeking employment or other opportunities.

SELECTION PROCESS AND CRITERIA

Although grading systems vary, student candidates should generally have marks of "A" or rank in the upper ten percent (10%) of the graduating class. Qualifications for regular membership are excellence in classroom, shop, studio, and laboratory work; leadership and service in class and school activities; and personal integrity and good moral character.

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LPHA, the first letter of the Greek alphabet, stands for Athena, the Goddess of Wisdom and patroness of the arts, crafts and sciences. She bespeaks the spirit of truth and is armed with a spear of lightning. Alpha also means the first of anything and it is the name of the brightest star in a constellation.

Brasidas, a distinguished Spartan General who fought with courage and gave his life in the fourth century B.C. He planned, organized and followed through in his cause. His life reminds us of our opportunity and duty to fight the good fight.

APPA, the tenth Greek letter, stands for Kudos, meaning glory, credit and praise. Accordingly, A.B.K. means recognition and praise for those who have worked valiantly and successfully in one or more fields of the applied arts and sciences.

THE STAR represents our ideals and dreams. The five points stand for the broad fields of Trade, Technology, Science, Industry and General Studies. Those who labor and achieve in these fields do not oppose, rather they support and advance the liberal arts.

THE LAUREL BRANCHES indicate honor and distinction. Since the days of ancient Greece, laurel has been the badge of successful achievement. The laurel tree is evergreen and its leaves are aromatic.



ALPHA BETA KAPPA believes in the pursuit of truth and excellence in all fields and hopes to recognize institutions and individuals who have achieved and who hold forth the promise of future growth and service, especially in the areas represented by our star.