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I am pleased to announce that Pi Kappa Delta has officially launched its credit point system. This system is available to all Pi Kappa Delta members who have paid their 2011-2012 chapter dues. With the credit point system, your students can earn points through competition and service, allowing them to work their way through PKD's orders and degrees.

After the 2011 convention in Portland, Pi Kappa Delta and its members passed a number of constitutional revisions. These revisions allowed PKD to change its previous system of orders to reflect its new partnership with the National Forensic League. This partnership will allow high school graduates to become PKD members even before they get to their new college campus. Any student who competed in the National Forensic League will be allowed to keep one-tenth of the points they earned in high school. Further, current college students, coaches, and alumni will all be grandfathered into the system at some level. Students who competed in the 2010-2011 academic year may go back and retroactively claim those points. Both coaches and alumni may fill out the grandfather clause form and will receive a number of points based on their years of participation. These forms are enclosed and can also be found on the Pi Kappa Delta website.

In order to participate in this exciting new system, chapters must not only be currently paid members, but coaches must log onto our website www.pikappadelta.com, click the button for "points entry," and create an account for their chapter and profiles for themselves and their students. To give everyone an opportunity and not bog down the system, we have decided to roll the system out across the country from east to west by province. Beginning Wednesday, November 9th, Greater Northeast, Northern Lights, and Southeast provincial chapters may begin their points entry. On Thursday, November 10th, Heartland, Lower Mississippi, and Great West chapters may begin entering their points. If you need help with the new system, you can access the points manual on the PKD website.

I am very excited about blending the new changes with the traditions of Pi Kappa Delta as we roll into our second century. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at jensen@webster.edu or by phone at (314) 968-7134; Jeff Stoppenhagen at jstoppen@u.boisestate.edu, or Lisa in the national office at pkdnationaloffice@gmail.com. We are also happy to talk about this new system at the NCA convention after PKD panels, as part of Saturday morning's general business meeting, or at PKD's reception Saturday evening.

I look forward to seeing you throughout the year and at the national comprehensive tournament in Kansas City this March. In the meantime, please help us spread the word about our new credit point system.

Sincerely,

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Pi Kappa Delta President

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