

Happy New Year to all our circle officers!



January 2020

Circle Leader of the Year/National Leader of the Year

Each OΔK circle selects an outstanding student to be named their Circle Leader of the Year. These students receive a certificate and are invited to apply for the Gen. Russell E. Dougherty National Leader of the Year Award.

Beginning with the 2020 awards, the Society will present the National Leader of the Year award to the candidate they judge to be the most outstanding leader of all applicants. The recipient will receive a \$4,000 award. The Society will also recognize the top individual in each of the five phases of campus life. These recipients will receive a \$1,000 award. All six awards will be presented at the National Leadership Conference, June 4-7, 2020, in Lexington, Kentucky.

The deadline for Circle Leader of the Year nominations is January 15, 2020.

Board of Trustees Nominations Open

Nominations for the Student and Faculty/Staff representative to the Board of Trustees are now open. OΔK seeks individuals who are committed to the organization on a local and national level to serve at the highest level.

Complete information about the qualifications, duties, responsibilities, and election process can be found at this [link](#).

For questions about the elections, contact Omicron Delta Kappa, email election@odk.org.

Recruiting for Spring? Turn your application on!

As you start the recruiting process for your circle, remember, **you must review and approve your application before the circle begins accepting applications**. We set ALL applications to "off" in July. If you have not approved and checked the box for your

application to be active, potential members will not be able to apply. The revised MMS guide is available on the [Circle Officers website](#).

We have posted a revised Recruitment Timeline Template on the OΔK, [Circle Templates](#) website. This is an Excel form that you can download, type in your planned initiation date, and the form will provide you with a detailed schedule of all recruitment and initiation deadlines. There are ten (10) week or six (6) week planning models available.

For questions or assistance with recruiting, contact odknhdq@odk.org.

[2021 National Leadership Conference Planning Team](#)

We are calling OΔK circle advisors, active faculty/staff members, and interested post-collegiate members to serve on the 2021 National Leadership Conference Planning Team. The 2021 National Leadership Conference (NLC) will be held in Williamsburg, Virginia, jointly hosted by William & Mary and the University of Richmond. Consider joining the team to make the 2021 National Leadership Conference an experience to remember.

For information about positions or general requirements, check out the [NLC webpage](#) or contact:

[Alexis Martinez, 2021 NLC Planning Team Leader, alexismartinez97@gmail.com](#)

[Tim Reed, OΔK National Headquarters, tim@odk.org](#)

[Apply for the 2021 NLCPT Now](#)

[Nominations for National Awards Open](#)

In Omicron Delta Kappa, we believe in recognizing both individuals and circles that demonstrate exceptional leadership across the five phases of campus life and beyond.

We offer a series of awards that honor circles, both for their contributions to their campuses and for their dedication to supporting the national organization. At the individual level, we offer a number of awards that honor students, circle advisors, alumni, and friends of OΔK.

Links to each award with nomination information are below:

- [John D. "Jack" Morgan Award for Lifetime Service to Omicron Delta Kappa](#)
- [Eldridge W. Roark, Jr. Meritorious Service Award](#)
- [Cheryl M. Hogle Distinguished Service Award](#)
- [Robert L. Morlan – Robert Bishop Outstanding Circle Officer Award](#)

For more information on the awards process, contact Tim Reed, tim@odk.org, (540) 458-5345.

Dates and Deadlines January 15 - February 14, 2020

January 15 - [DEADLINE: Circle Leader of the Year Submission](#)

January 15 - Spring Institutional Membership Fee Invoices

January 20 - OΔK National Headquarters Closed for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

January 31 - [Founders' Day Program Reports Due](#)

February 2 - [DEADLINE: National Leader of the Year Application](#)

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