

Society of Distinguished Collegians

Since the first Circle K club was established in 1947, members of the organization have risen to the challenge of becoming involved in both their campuses and communities by serving others. In the process, members have experienced tremendous personal growth and satisfaction. The Society of Distinguished Collegians was established to recognize those members of Circle K International who strive for excellence in academics, service to campus and community, and commitment to the local club.

Eligibility

To qualify for consideration for induction into the Society of Distinguished Collegians, a member must meet or exceed the following criteria:

- 1. Individual must be a member in good standing, having paid International, district, and club dues for at least one full academic year.
- 2. Individual must be a member of a club in good standing with Circle K International and the district.
- 3. Individual must have completed the minimum membership requirements established by the home club each year of membership.
- 4. Individual must have attended at least 80 percent of home club meetings throughout his or her membership. (Note: Attendance at other Kiwanis family meetings may be substituted for up to 20 percent of this requirement.)
- 5. Individual must have participated in at least 60 percent of home club service and fundraising projects throughout his or her membership. (Note: Attendance at other Kiwanis family service and fundraising projects may be substituted for up to 20 percent of the requirement.)
- 6. Individual must have completed at least 250 hours of service* on behalf of the home club. A service hour is defined as sixty (60) minutes of work performed by a member of a Circle K club on a service project approved by the club or club board of officers. Preparation and travel time for service projects are counted as service hours.
- 7. Individual must have the equivalent of the grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale, "B," or 80 percent.

*250 hours of service completed throughout the individual's membership in CKI

Selection

Selection of membership in the Society of Distinguished Collegians is made by Circle K members. Each district is responsible for establishing an impartial committee for the sole purpose of selecting members for induction into the society. A district is entitled to induct up to 2 percent of its total membership into the society on an annual basis. Induction into the society is permanent, and those not selected for membership may reapply. Upon finalizing the year's inductees, someone should promptly fill out the <u>notification form</u> to have pins and certificates shipped.

Recognition

Each inductee receives a special membership pin and certificate of recognition. New members are inducted and receive these awards at the annual district convention.