

# Spread the Sweetness of ESA

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Tonight we are gathered to welcome \_\_\_\_\_ new sisters into the sisterhood of \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter of Epsilon Sigma Alpha International.

Sisters of \_\_\_\_\_, is it your desire to extend an invitation for \_\_\_\_\_ to join your chapter at this time? If so, state, "it is".

\_\_\_\_\_, the goals of ESA and \_\_\_\_\_ are to reach out and spread a little sweetness to develop the best qualities in each of its members, to seek out and use any and all ingredients to make opportunities for recreation and entertainment, to recognize leadership, to educate and produce awesome individuals.

To be an ESA member means to be a friend, to be useful and caring, to give the best to your home, your work, and your community.

You will become a part of this wonderful organization. You will not work alone. You will be helped by your sisters of this chapter and by sisters from across the country.

\_\_\_\_\_ is it your personal desire to work for the attainment of our ideals and do you have the determination to utilize all opportunities offered to you for personal growth? Will you protect the honor and promote the welfare of this organization? Will you allow those in our membership to guide and direct you? And is it your desire to become a member of \_\_\_\_\_ chapter of Epsilon Sigma Alpha International? If so, will you say "It is".

(Pin your new Members)

The pin you have just received is the Lamp of Learning. It signifies the wisdom you will be seeking during your membership in ESA. I charge you to lead where you may and to follow the recipes for leadership and service. You may "Build Today, Strength for Tomorrow".

The emblem of ESA is the Open Book. The open book unfolds the wealth of knowledge and the strength of wisdom.

The jonquil is the flower of this organization. Rich in color, perfect in form, carrying the golden promise of Spring--- it is the emblem of noble thought.

\_\_\_\_\_, will you listen carefully to the pledge of Epsilon Sigma Alpha:

I PLEDGE MY LOYALTY TO EPSILON SIGMA ALPHA IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD AND THESE WITNESSES;

I PLEDGE TO ITS TRADITIONS THROUGH LOYALTY AND SERVICE TO MY SISTERS WHO WEAR THE PIN OF ESA WHEREVER I MAY FIND THEM;

I PLEDGE TO ABSTAIN FROM UNKIND CRITICISM AND GOSSIP OF ANY ONE OF MY SISTERS; INSTEAD TO RENDER HELP AND SERVICE TO THOSE WHO MAY BE IN NEED OF SUCH;

I PLEDGE NOT TO JUDGE BY OUTER APPEARANCES, BUT TO LOOK DEEP BELOW THE SURFACE FOR REAL QUALITIES OF MY SISTERS;

I WILL RECOMMEND FOR MEMBERSHIP IN ESA ONLY THOSE PERSONS WHOSE CHARACTERS ARE BEYOND REPROACH;

I PLEDGE TO BE A GOLDEN LINK IN THE CHAIN OF MY CHAPTER'S HARMONY AND SUCCESS, AND TO WORK DILIGENTLY, TO BE ALERT THAT NOTHING BREAKS THIS CHAIN OF BLUE AND GOLD.

If you accept this pledge as your own, please answer "I do".

\_\_\_\_\_, you are now entitled to wear the pin of ESA. You have pledged your faith in ours. Won't you please join the circle of your sisters and join hands. Now as members of Epsilon Sigma Alpha, we can truly say, "You are my sister".

Pledge Pinning Ceremony  
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