

CHAPTER SWEETHEART

RESOURCES: ACADEMICS

An essential part of the Sigma Chi experience is doing well scholastically. As a chapter sweetheart, you can promote good scholarship and reward brothers who excel academically. Here are just a few ideas to get you started:

START A STUDY-HOURS PROGRAM

Work with the chapter's scholarship chairman to set aside study hours. These hours could be spent in the chapter house, the library or a tutoring center on campus. Brothers, especially those who need to improve their GPA from the previous semester can use these hours to concentrate on their studies. Encourage brothers to study together, ask each for help, etc. Arrange for brothers in upper division courses to tutor younger brothers in the same area of study.

OFFER A SEMINAR ON STUDY SKILLS

Make the presentation with the scholarship chairman, or invite a guest from your school's academic affairs department.

KEEP IN TOUCH WITH PARENTS

At the end of each semester, send a letter to all the brothers' parents. Give an overview of the chapter's accomplishments that semester as well as their overall academic performance compared with the rest of campus. This will reinforce to parents academic success is important to Sigma Chi.

PLAN A SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS DINNER

Recognize all brothers who make the dean's list or receive a 4.0. Recognize the brother in each pledge class with the highest GPA and the brother in each pledge class with the most improved grades. Work with the chapter officers or alumni board to come up with an award for the brother with the best grades. Awards could include free rent in the house for a month, waived dues for a month, or a jeweled Sigma Chi badge.

Invite your school's Greek advisor and dean of students to the dinner. They will love to know that Sigma Chi recognizes brothers for good academic performance! Invite a few faculty members and give an award for the Sigma Chi Faculty Member of the Year (to be voted on by the chapter).

