# Tau Kappa Epsilon

## Delta-Nu Chapter Scholarship Award Program 2025-26 School Year

Awarded by the TKE Alumni Association through The Northwest Foundation Inc.

Delta-Nu Chapter of Tau Kappa Epsilon offers scholarship awards through tax deductible contributions received from TKE alumni and friends of the Delta-Nu Chapter of TKE to The Northwest Foundation Inc.

The TKE Delta-Nu Actives Scholarship Committee has decided to broaden the scope of the scholarship fund to reward more than one or two members of the fraternity. The committee aims to better serve the scholarship fund donors and to support the fraternity's purpose and mission of fostering academic success to all who qualify.

### The goal of the committee is to achieve the following:

- Increase awareness to <u>potential new members</u>, <u>actives and alumni</u> of the TKE scholarship fund held with The Northwest Foundation Inc.
- Develop an ongoing financial support system to get regular funding from TKE alumni to support the TKE Delta-Nu Actives Scholarship Fund, working toward a fully endowed scholarship fund.
- ➤ Reward multiple active Delta-Nu Tekes for excelling academically.
- Reward recipients for commitment to the chapter by: living the values of the fraternity, living in the TKE House, setting an example for good scholarship habits at the house and taking a regular active role in the chapter and campus leadership positions, chapter activities and programs.

#### **Scholarship Types and Criteria:**

#### **Current Active Chapter Member Scholarship**

- For initiated members of the chapter who a) are full time students (12 hours or more per semester), b) are in good standing with the chapter, c) have a signed contract to live in the TKE house, and d) maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better
  - O Provide a scholarship of an amount to be determined each year by the scholarship chair (in consultation with the chapter advisor). The amounts may be greater for members whose cumulative GPA's are significantly above the threshold of 3.0 (e.g., 3.50 or above). For the Fall 2025/Spring 2026 school year, these amounts are to be \$750 for those with GPA's of 3.00 to 3.49 and \$1,000 for those with GPA's or 3.50 or above.
  - o For members who meet all of the criteria for consecutive years, provide <u>additional</u> scholarship amounts that will be determined each year by the scholarship chair and the chapter advisor. For the Fall 2025/Spring 2026 school year, these amounts are to be \$200 additional for someone who meets the criteria for the second year, and \$300 for someone who meets the criteria for three or more years.

Funds are allocated at the beginning of the semester following the release of the GPA report. Note: Any member who meets the criteria for only the Fall semester is only eligible for one half of the stated amounts. For example, someone who graduates or leaves to student teach after the Fall semester would only be eligible for ½ the above amounts.

### Fall Semester New Member Scholarship

- For members of the chapter who a) join in the Fall semester but are unable to live in house until the following school year because they have a contract to finish the school year in their current residence, and b) earn a cumulative GPA through the Fall semester of at least a 3.0 or better
  - Provide a one-time scholarship of an amount to be determined each year by the scholarship chair (in consultation with the chapter advisor) for the Spring semester immediately following the Fall in which they joined the chapter. For the Spring 2026 semester, this amount is to be \$300.
  - o Funds are allocated for the spring semester following the release of the GPA report.

#### **Donation Efforts.**

The Selection Committee using the Delta Nu master list begin to create a target list of potential donors that could make a \$10,000 contribution to the fund annually. With the change in culture at the Active Chapter level, these donors might consider donating for 2 vary different reasons. They remember the great times they had and want to keep that option alive or they WANT to HELP change the culture of the active chapter and put MORE focus on academics. Our goal is \$50,000 donated to the TKE Scholarship Fund at Northwest by December 2026 and the donors want to give before the end of the year so they get the tax deduction!

By establishing the selection criteria and awarding the scholarships, the donors WANT their money to be spent and if it is for scholarship based on academics AND supporting the active chapter and the house, it is a win, win, win!

Delta Nu Alumni on the Selection Committee track the results and send the follow up thank you letters and future correspondence to keep this effort alive and will work together to identify and reach out to these potential large donors as well as call for other smaller donations at golf and other social events. University tracks donations as they come in, the distribution of the funds and send out a monthly report on donor and recipient activity.