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## FACULTY ADVISOR

The faculty advisor is essential to the development of principled men. You also serve as a liaison between the Greek organization and the college/university.

Suggested responsibilities of a faculty advisor are to:

- Be accessible to the membership for communication regarding faculty advising issues. Maintaining accurate contact information on file with the chapter counselor is expected.
- Attend at least one meeting or provide one presentation each semester on how to improve chapter engagement in the University or College community.
- Help the executive officers understand the ways the chapter can engage the host institution and connect the officers with appropriate College or University resources.
- Have regular communications with the chapter counselor and advising team members and maintain awareness of key chapter events.

Your impact on a student's life can be immense. Remember your undergraduate days and how important it was to you when a faculty member took an interest in you. Since a great deal of learning takes place outside of the classroom, it is important for the faculty to become involved in the extracurricular life of the students and your service in this capacity will support a vibrant and sustainable chapter.

### Support

- Professional training programs
  - Opportunities are available both locally and regionally for training. In particular, the *Leadership Summit* (for district chiefs and assistant district chiefs) and the *Keystone Regional Leadership Conference* (for officers and advisors) are professional programs that deliver high quality training and direction.
  - Also, local retreat models are available and, in many cases, a professional facilitator can be found to conduct the retreat.
- Online resources and best practices
  - <http://www.betathetapi.org/resources/volunteer-resources> has many resources particular to each volunteer role.
- Leadership Consultant
  - This traveling Beta Theta Pi professional staff person can offer coaching, assessment and training opportunities.
- Host institution administrators
  - Many host institutions have resources available to volunteers at a local level.
- Peer volunteers and former volunteers
  - There is no better resource than a person that has experience. Beta Theta Pi will gladly connect anyone with other volunteers to learn best practices and recommendation.

