

**Delta Kappa Gamma**  
**Eta State Education Law and Policy Committee**  
**Protocol for Political Contacts**

Participation in the political process is both a right and a responsibility. As Eta State seeks to influence legislative decisions at local, state, and national levels, it is important that we acknowledge the purposes of our Society and the dignity of our profession. With this purpose in mind, members are asked respectfully to remember the following guidelines:

- All Eta State communications with legislators and staff will be cordial and professional.
- When we are representing DKG, we will confine our remarks to the issues identified by the membership. Other issues may be addressed at a different time and as individuals or members of another group.
- We will educate ourselves on the specific legislation/policy to be addressed as well as appropriate background to support our position.
- All Letters to the Editor addressed to local newspapers/news sources will be submitted after the approval of the local chapter.
  - We suggest all letters be reviewed by an additional reader.
  - In order to reassure members, chapters may prefer all letters to the editor be signed by retired members.
  - Copies of all Letters to the Editor will be sent to the Eta State President prior to being sent to newspapers.
- When attending meetings with office holders either locally or in their legislative offices, members will wear their membership pins.
- All emails regarding political activity will be sent to members' personal email addresses and not to email associated with a school system or state agency.