

## **NPC Position Statement on Standards of Conduct**

The National Panhellenic Conference (NPC), one of the world's largest organizations advocating for women, is the trade association for 26 inter/national women's-only sororities. All NPC member organizations have a common set of values, including friendship, service and support. In upholding these values, NPC and our member organizations expect all Panhellenic women to maintain high standards of conduct.

NPC Unanimous Agreement I. The Panhellenic Creed sets an expectation for Panhellenic women that emphasizes mutual respect for others:

"... We, as Fraternity Women, stand for service through the development of character inspired by the close contact and deep friendship of individual fraternity and Panhellenic life. The opportunity for wide and wise human service, through mutual respect and helpfulness, is the tenet by which we strive to live."

Unanimous Agreement IV. Standards of Ethical Conduct further outlines how sorority members are to act in accordance with dignity and good manners. Specifically, they are expected to:

- Conduct themselves in a manner consistent with the mission and values of NPC and the College Panhellenic.
- Create friendly relations between sorority and nonsorority women.
- Avoid disparaging remarks about any sorority or college/university woman.

NPC member organizations also set minimum expectations for collegiate sorority chapters and their members regarding respecting human dignity, wellness and student safety, and member organizations have programming that can deepen members' learning and development in these areas.

NPC member organizations have conduct processes to address situations in which chapters or members do not meet expectations for maintaining high standards.

NPC encourages all Panhellenic women to take personal responsibility for their actions and uphold these expectations in accordance with the Unanimous Agreements and NPC member organization policies, procedures and principles.

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