

# SANTA MONICA COLLEGE

August 1, 2016

Dear Honor Student,

Congratulations! Santa Monica College recognizes your academic achievement and dedication to scholarly success by inviting you to join one of the oldest and most prestigious Honor Societies in the world: Phi Theta Kappa. Membership eligibility is based on completing a minimum of 12 units at SMC with a GPA of 3.0 or higher. An invitation to join Phi Theta Kappa is a special honor provided to a small group of outstanding students and we hope you will take the opportunity to become a member.

As a member of Phi Theta Kappa Chapter: Beta Kappa Delta you will: 1) receive a Phi Theta Kappa honor notation on your transcript; 2) be eligible for exclusive Phi Theta Kappa scholarships; 3) be notified of projects provided to serve the community, 4) create your own network of friends and contacts through our fellowship events; and 5) be awarded for your great academic and extracurricular effort and achievements. A complete list of benefits is available at [www.ptk.org](http://www.ptk.org), the national organization website. Additional information can be found at our local chapter website at [www.smcptk.org](http://www.smcptk.org).

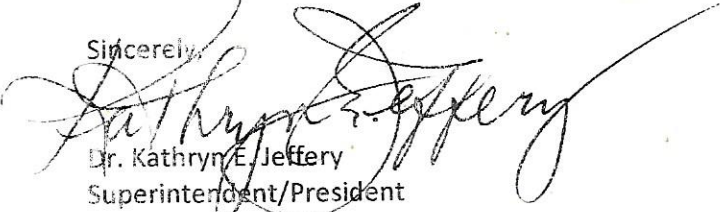
Our chapter will be holding a series of member forums during the fall which we invite and encourage you to attend. These forums are held on Tuesdays from 11:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Arts Building, Room 214 or 4 – 5 p.m. in the Humanities & Social Sciences building (HSS), Room 103. The first forum of the Fall semester is an orientation and will be held on **Tuesday, September 13, 2016**. Subsequent weekly forums will cover a variety of topics specific to membership and related activities and continue through November 15, 2016.

The first step towards becoming a new member is to print and complete (typed) the Santa Monica College Phi Theta Kappa application found on our website [www.smcptk.org/forms-documents](http://www.smcptk.org/forms-documents). The deadline to turn in your application will be at the last forum on Tuesday, November 15, 2016. A one-time lifetime Phi Theta Kappa membership fee of \$75 is required. Scholarships to cover the membership fee are available – details on how to apply for one will be given during the Tuesday forums.

For additional information, please visit our website [www.smcptk.org](http://www.smcptk.org). You may also contact Santa Monica College Phi Theta Kappa President, Carlos Penuelas at [www.smcptk.org/president](http://www.smcptk.org/president) or Executive Vice President Maggie Mumar at [www.smcptk.org/executive-vice-president](http://www.smcptk.org/executive-vice-president). Please feel free to sign up for our weekly newsletter on our website in order to get the latest updates and notifications on our events and workshops.

I strongly encourage you to take this opportunity as it is one that will open many doors on your road to success. Congratulations on all that you have accomplished and I look forward to seeing your name on our new roster of honor students in Spring.

Sincerely,

  
Dr. Kathryn E. Jeffery  
Superintendent/President