**EPSILON SIGMA OMICRON – ZETA CHAPTER OF KANSAS**

**ESO – MEMBERSHIP STANDARDS**

PLEDGE: One who has completed and submitted an enrollment blank to the state chairperson. Emailing the information to the chairperson is also acceptable. The state chairperson will send links for THE ESO HANDBOOK, the ESO READING LIST, and any other materials required to complete the PLEDGE LEVEL. The pledge has two options to complete the level:

1. Select four (4) categories from the ESO Reading List and read four (4) books from those categories as described in the ESO HANDBOOK. Or
2. Complete the sixteen book ESO Book Challenge which will be provided by the chairperson.

The pledge will submit a list of titles and authors of the books read to the chairperson. A 1 to 5-star rating and/or brief comments may be included but are not necessary. The pledge becomes a member when sixteen books have been reported. They have a total of sixteen points at that time.

MEMBER: One who continues to read books either from the reading list or their own choice. Continue to send lists of books read to the chairperson. Members may submit college classes (credit or non-credit), seminars, workshops, and book discussion groups for reading points. Reading to children, shut-ins, the handicapped, and elderly may be reported for points. Audio books are counted equally with books. Include these books on your reading list.

To receive points for college credit, workshops, and seminars submit a copy of the transcript or document of attendance to the chairperson. College classes must be completed with a grade of C.

ESO READING LEVELS:

• PLEDGE: A Pledge has obtained an enrollment application and has started to fulfill the reading requirements.

• MEMBER: A Member has completed either four books from four different categories or the ESO Reading Challenge, for a total of sixteen books. She is then eligible to wear the ESO pin and receive a membership certificate.

• STAR LEVEL: A Star level member has completed twenty-four additional books, for a total of forty books. She will then receive a Star level membership certificate.

• TORCH LEVEL: A Torch level member has completed twenty-four additional books, for a total of sixty-four books read. She is then eligible to wear the ESO Torch Guard and receive the Torch level membership certificate.

• CENTURY AWARD: A Century Award member has completed one hundred books. She can continue to the Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, and Sixth Century Award levels and will be eligible to receive the first, second, third, fourth, fifth, and/or sixth century membership certificates.

• DIAMOND AWARD: A Diamond Award member has completed 1,000 books. She will be eligible to receive a Diamond Award certificate.

BASIS FOR POINTS:

Member……………………………………………………………. completion of 16 books = 16 points

Star……………………………………………………………………. completion of 24 additional books = 40 points

Torch…………………………………………………………………. completion of 24 additional books = 64 points

Century……………………………………………………………. completion of 36 additional books = 100 points

2nd, 3rd Century, etc. ………………………………….……… completion of 100 additional books = 200 points, etc.

Diamond……………………………………………………………. Completion of 1000 books = 1000 points

One College Credit (non-credit) = 8 points

One College Credit = 16 points

Workshops and seminars = 2 points per hour

Reading to children, the elderly, and handicapped = 1 point

Book Discussion = 1 point

MEMBER, STAR, TORCH, CENTURY, AND DIAMOND levels are awarded certificates at State Convention.

Members who have qualified according to her Zeta chapter requirements may wear an ESO pin available from the GFWC Marketplace at GFWC.org.