

General Recruitment Information

Do your research: Go online to your University's Website and search for Greek Life, Panhellenic, Student Affairs. There will be information about formal recruitment.

Be sure to **register by the deadline with your University** to go through Recruitment. Most schools do this online and there is a fee.

Follow the panhellenic for more information on Recruitment on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. Some groups have informal preview days or orientation sessions – this information will be conveyed via these outlets. Always take advantage of going to these open events. Many Universities publish an online recruitment guide with pictures and detailed information.

Look up the number and the names of the sororities on your campus and try to secure recommendations for each of these groups. NWHCAP can try to help you secure any you are unable to get.

Recruitment Schedule

Most campuses have 4 rounds of parties. Each campus is unique but will have information for you about what to wear and the number of houses you go to each day. – **Open House** all houses (most informal day), **Philanthropy** will learn about each sororities chosen charity and possible will do a craft, **Skit** (nice dresses or skirts and blouses with heels – think brunch), **Preference** at most schools this is narrowed down to 2 houses (nice dresses wedding wear not club wear – nothing too short) Remember you are dressing for other women.

Finances

- Sorority dues at schools range from \$1000-3700 the first semester and from \$850-2000 for future semesters, this does not include housing and each school will have more specific information available. The initial new member semester is the most expensive due to some one-time fees. After initiation into the sorority, the dues are reduced for the following semesters.
- Dues cover different expenses depending on the organization. It may be important for you to know if certain expenses are covered, such as your sorority badge, t-shirts, etc.
- Keep in mind that dues generally don't cover "extras" like tote bags, sunglasses, t-shirts, and any of the many products you can purchase with your letter on it. While it's possible you may receive some as gifts, if it's important to you to stock up on sorority swag, you'll want to consider that as you budget.

Let's Talk...Conversation Tips

You have a killer resume, glowing recommendations and a fabulous wardrobe, but once you actually step in the door of the sorority house it's the conversation that counts. Here are some suggestions:

1. Think of questions you might be asked, and think of possible responses. These are topics you will probably talk about:

Round 1: Hometown, high school activities, summer activities, favorite movies/TV shows, The University you are attending (major, dorm, roommate, what you're most excited for).

Round 2: Volunteer activities in HS, philanthropy at the University (within sorority and participation in other groups' events), what you want to be involved in at the University or within sorority.

Round 3: Leadership in HS and positions within sorority and on campus, passions likes and dislikes, hobbies, HS activities, what you're looking for in a sorority

Round 4: How you're feeling about the sorority, questions or concerns you have, qualities you want in sisters, qualities you could bring to the sorority

2. No one word answers! It's a dead end to a conversation, creates awkward silence and it makes you appear disinterested.

4. Ask open-ended questions that can't be answered yes or no.

5. Don't complain. Everyone is tired. The sorority members have even longer days than you do.