To encourage and recognize graduating seniors and alumni from among the accredited institutions of ABHE who have distinguished themselves by:

Intellectual Achievement ... Christian Character ... Leadership Ability

**Delta Epsilon Chi - Approved in Christ**

As part of Paul's list of greetings in Romans 16:10, he references Apelles with this distinguished appellation: *Tested and approved in Christ* (NIV). It reflects the same spirit expressed in the imperative enjoined by Paul to Timothy in II Timothy 2:15, *Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth.*

The three Greek words translated approved in Christ, *(dokimos en Xristos)* found in Romans 16:10 begin with the three Greek letters, *delta epsilon chi*, and thus the name and meaning of the ABHE Honor Society.

**Scholastic Membership**

- For graduating Seniors
- Must exhibit Christian character and leadership ability
- Must have achieved a cumulative grade-point average of at least 3.3 on a 4-point scale or the equivalent.

**Honorary Membership**

- For Alumni
- Must exhibit outstanding intellectual achievement, Christian character, and leadership ability
- Must have graduated at least ten years prior to nomination
- Number of nominees must not exceed the number of scholastic nominees
- No more than three may be nominated in any given year

**Nominations for Recognition**

- Restricted to ABHE member institutions who are accredited
- Nominations must be made by the faculty at the beginning of the final semester before graduation and may include both scholastic and honorary members.
- Not more than 7% of the graduating class for any given year may be nominated
- Each institution is allowed to nominate at least one qualified graduate for membership in each category.

**Nomination Process**

- Go to www.abhe.org/leadershipdevelopment to make your nominations and order awards
- For information or questions, contact David Medders, Executive VP; david.medders@abhe.org

**Awards & Recognition**

- Photos of recipients are posted on the ABHE website, recognizing these distinguished graduates and alumni from participating institutions.
- Recipients are given parchment certificates signed by officers of ABHE and the respective institution
- Awards, as shown, may be purchased for all recipients: (L-R) Medallion, Rosewood Pen/Pencil Set, Pewter Paperweight, Award Certificate, Pewter Key Chain

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