

Looking for New Members – Who?

While individual members make final decisions (by voting) about who is to join their chapter, International guidelines must be followed.

The Constitution of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International (amended 2006) says “Active members shall be women who are employed in educational work at the time of their election and have had three or more years of experience as professional educators or have been retired from an educational position no more than two years. They shall participate in the activities of the Society” (Article III, B1).

International Standing Rules (2006) state

In the selection of members, ...

... “teaching” shall be interpreted to include one-to-one as well as group instruction (3.03).

...“employed” ... shall mean currently hired by an employer and/or paid a salary or fee for specific educational services (3.11).

The possibilities are limitless:

- ✓ *Classroom teacher?*
- ✓ *Administrators*
- ✓ *College or trade school instructors*
- ✓ *Adjunct Professors*
- ✓ *Instructional Aides? Paraprofessionals?*
- ✓ *Private or charter school teachers*
- ✓ *Educational program administrators*
- ✓ *Private tutors*
- ✓ *Zoo, museum, art gallery, historic home educator*
- ✓ *Librarians instructing in the public library*
- ✓ *Church school education department leaders*
- ✓ *Business employees responsible for employee tra*
- ✓ *Pre-school and nursery school teachers*
- ✓ *Registered nurses who present educational programs*
- ✓ *State or countywide teacher training educators*
- ✓ *Local, state, and national Departments of Education employees who provide educational services*
- ✓ *Corporate trainers and seminar leaders*



But, what about ...PTA presidents? Volunteer readers? Parents home schooling? Docents?

These women are not employed (receive money for their services) even though they are engaged in educational work.

Utilize the governing documents or call your membership chair if you have questions.