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Dear Alpha Chi Rho Parent/Guardian,

On behalf of the National Fraternity of Alpha Chi Rho and the Alpha Phi Theta Chapter, we are pleased to inform you that your son has shown interest in joining our organization. Alpha Chi Rho is a national men's collegiate fraternity whose purpose is to enhance the lifelong intellectual, moral and social development of our members through the guidance of our Landmarks. There are over 100 Chapters of Alpha Chi Rho across the nation, with close ties across the nation among Brothers.

Our chapter began as an interest group in Spring 2016. A number of men formed together to begin a new fraternity on Miami's campus that was aimed to change the culture of Greek Life at Miami University. After looking around the country, they found Alpha Chi Rho, originally founded at Trinity College in 1895 and widespread throughout Northeastern schools. The interest group soon gained colony status and began its difficult but rewarding process of achieving recognition by Miami University and a charter from the national fraternity. After much hard work and determination, the Miami Colony gained Miami Interfraternity Council (IFC) Recognition as an on-campus fraternity in Fall 2017 and received its charter as the 100th chapter of Alpha Chi Rho, becoming the Alpha Phi Theta Chapter on December 1, 2018.

The founders of our chapter, much like the founders of the fraternity in 1895, aspired to build a fraternity that truly lived up to its motto of "Cultivating men of Word and Deed." That has been the Alpha Phi Theta Chapter's mission since its conception and continues to be its mission going into its first full semester as a chapter this spring. We, the members of the Executive Board, want to voice our unwavering commitment to upholding and promoting that mission as your son works to become a Brother of Alpha Chi Rho over the next four weeks, and for the duration of his time as a member of this chapter.

Our new member education program seeks to develop new members, postulants, as we call them, into becoming the best version of themselves and helping them envision the way that they hope to use their experience in Alpha Chi Rho to achieve their goals and aspirations, as well as develop themselves into outstanding individuals. Our values-based program takes our new members through the landmarks of Alpha Chi Rho each week, with personal development activities and conversations that will enhance their understanding of our values, and better them as men. Your son will come out of the new member education program knowing more about the fraternity and its history, what it means to be a brother of Alpha Chi Rho in regards to its values and mission, and ready to be leader in the fraternity and on campus.

Membership in any Greek organization is a substantial time commitment, and Alpha Chi Rho is no exception. While academics and studies will always come first, we do expect your son to make his membership in Alpha Chi Rho a priority. To that end, we expect that at a minimum, each member attend weekly chapter meetings (lasting less than one hour each Sunday evening), complete 20 hours of community service per semester, complete a set number of

study hours per week, and attend as many events (Philanthropy, Social, or Brotherhood) as possible.

Additionally, Membership in Alpha Chi Rho requires regular dues payments used for Chapter events, and there are special events throughout the year that sometimes have additional costs. Each year the National Fraternity hosts a National Convention or a Winter Conclave. These events, mandatory for selected members to attend, provide exceptional programming and Brotherhood events, and it is highly suggested that your son attend at least one of these events should he become a member of the Fraternity. These fees are kept as low as possible so our members are able to attend. Finally, there is a one-time initiation fee of \$230 which must be paid before the end of their new member education period.

We expect our members to provide their time, talents, and loyalty to our Fraternity. The strength of our Chapter is determined by the abilities of each of our members to work together harmoniously and productively.

Membership in Alpha Chi Rho is a lifetime commitment, and after graduation we expect our members to actively participate as they move into their professional lives. Our alumni base is very large and spans the globe, and besides making great friends, there are great opportunities to network and interact on a professional level.

We hope that you as parents will be engaged part of your son's fraternity experience. Parental support is vital in upholding our mission of making each other better men and better people. Should you or your son have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us or our National Headquarters. We would be happy to discuss any concerns or thoughts you may have regarding our organization. New member education materials can be found at www.miamiohifc.com/eme.

We could not be more excited that your son has chosen Alpha Chi Rho. We are excited to see the unique talents and leadership that he brings to our organization. We look forward to getting to know and working with your son to truly become men of word and deed together.

Sincerely,

The Gentlemen of the Alpha Chi Rho Fraternity

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Miami University Hazing Policy: Code of Student Conduct—2.1.1 Hazing

Coercing another, including the victim, to do any act of initiation into, or as a condition of participation in, a student organization, fraternity or sorority, or activity that causes or creates a substantial risk of causing physical or mental harm to any person is prohibited. Examples of prohibited behavior include forced drinking of alcohol or water, paddling, creation of fatigue, physical shocks, degrading or humiliating games, physical harassment, branding, public stunts, and forced tattoos.

Anti-Hazing Statement of Alpha Chi Rho

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the National Fraternity of Alpha Chi Rho hereby unequivocally repeats its historic repudiation of any pre-Initiation practices antithetical to the Laws and Landmarks of the Fraternity of Alpha Chi Rho.

FURTHER that the National Fraternity retains its continued belief in the National Interfraternity Conference against hazing.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the National Interfraternity Conference hereby unequivocally repeats its historic repudiation of any pre-Initiation practices antithetical to the Laws and underlying principles for which each member Fraternity stands.

FURTHER, that this body expects each Fraternity to make appropriate action to implement the intent of this resolution.

