

ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGE HONOR SOCIETIES  
NATIONAL PROJECT ON ETHICS

*A call to  
action...*

Bright, creative, and talented young people are **cutting corners, stretching the truth, and sacrificing their integrity** in alarming numbers. Don't let the trend continue. Join us in our three-year push to promote, encourage, and strengthen our commitment to ethical behavior at all levels, both individually and collectively, within the academic community.

To learn more or to get involved, visit us on the web at [www.achsnaatl.org/ethics/](http://www.achsnaatl.org/ethics/) or contact us at the address below.

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## RATIONALE

The Association of College Honor Societies (ACHS) is spearheading this national ethics project in an effort to unite member societies to further one of our most important common goals: To lend support and encouragement to promising young adults as they strive to meet their full potential as future leaders in their respective fields.

Such potential is found not on the surface of a person, where the worthy goals of achievement and knowledge shine brightly for all to see. Instead, a person's full potential can only be reached by building upon the core of one's character, by encouraging honesty, trustworthiness, integrity... ethics.

Because these issues cross all academic lines, you can exercise your creativity to promote the project across professional boundaries. We hope you'll take advantage of this unique opportunity to collaborate with your ACHS honor society peers.

## PROGRAM OBJECTIVES FOR PARTICIPATING HONOR SOCIETIES

1. Commit to a leadership role in increasing campus and community awareness of ethical standards.
2. Engage in a dialogue between student groups regarding ethical issues.
3. Promote, encourage, and strengthen commitment to ethical behaviors at all levels of the campus community.
4. Serve as role models of ethical behavior.

5. Pursue the art and practice of making ethical decisions, and provide learning opportunities for ethical leadership among peers.
6. Learn, share, and follow ACHS guidelines for resolving ethical dilemmas.
7. Increase knowledge of and appreciation for professional codes of ethics within your discipline.

## SAMPLE PROGRAM IDEAS

1. Sponsor a public forum on ethics featuring prominent community or campus leaders.
2. Develop a *Speakers Bureau* of community leaders who will serve as guest lecturers for individual classes.
3. Sponsor a Commitment to Ethics Day/Week on campus.
4. Develop a directory of web sites addressing ethical issues. Spearhead effort for all campus organizations to

- develop and post their codes of ethics online.
5. Purchase inexpensive T-shirts promoting ethical behavior. All members wear T-shirts to classes on the same date.

## RESOURCES

- Center for Academic Integrity :**  
[www.academicintegrity.org](http://www.academicintegrity.org)
- Institute for College Values:**  
[www.CollegeValues.org](http://www.CollegeValues.org)
- The Institute for Business, Technology, and Ethics:**  
[www.ethix.org](http://www.ethix.org)
- The Institute for Global Ethics:**  
[www.globalethics.org](http://www.globalethics.org)
- Online Ethics Center for Engineering and Science:**  
[www.onlineethics.org](http://www.onlineethics.org)
- Ethics Resource Center:**  
[www.ethics.org](http://www.ethics.org)

*These and many other great program ideas & resources are available at:*  
[www.achsnaatl.org/ethics/](http://www.achsnaatl.org/ethics/)

# A Matter of ETHICS