“Everyone is said to have his or her peculiar ambition... I have no other so great as that of being truly esteemed of my fellow beings, by rendering myself worthy of their esteem.”

-Abraham Lincoln
I am running for International Division 1 Vice President because my personal passion is to speak out against bullying, a major crisis in our world. Those who endured bullying suffer problems that persist through their lives. Today, bullying is compromising the safety of our schools.

**My Leadership Roles**
- Served two straight years as Secretary of my chapter, Alpha Sigma Rho, at Reading Area Community College (RACC), Reading, Pennsylvania, and attended every Phi Theta Kappa chapter meeting
- Received the Emerging Leader Award for recruitment of new members into Phi Theta Kappa
- Certified in RACC’s Leadership Program, and helped start first Peer-Mentoring Program at RACC
- Volunteered for Safe Berks Crisis Center wrapping gifts to benefit victims of abuse

**My Goals**
- Speak about Phi Theta Kappa at graduation
- Donate, and encourage other members to donate, to Phi Theta Kappa’s foundation(s)
- Introduce more students to Phi Theta Kappa’s programs and increase active membership
- Continue to be active in my chapter after graduation

**My Mission Statement**
I will promote inclusion and increase awareness of the role it plays in the common pursuit of happiness.

**Critical Thinking: Scenarios to Consider Before Bullying or Ostracizing Others**

1. Suppose you are enduring a life catastrophe, and you seek guidance. How would you react if a student you once bullied was the only person in your area who specialized in the help you need? Would you ask him or her to help you? Why or why not?

2. Suppose you were a student who was bullied, and you are now the only person in the bully’s area who specializes in help for a catastrophe in which he or she is now enduring. Would you help him or her? Why or why not? How would you confront the bully in this situation?

3. Suppose you witnessed a student being bullied and you did nothing to help him or her. Suppose that victimized student is the only person in your area who specializes in help for a catastrophe in which you are enduring. Would you feel ethical in asking for his or her help? Why or why not?

4. Suppose you were neither a bully nor a victim. Do you feel bullies who endure life catastrophes deserve to be helped by their victims? Why or why not? How should victims confront their tormentors in a situation like this?