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PEACEFUL WORLD.”

—John Churchill
Secretary (CEO)
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MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS* FOR CONSIDERATION
FOR PHI BETA KAPPA AT PACIFIC
IN ADDITION TO THE GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

1) JUNIOR OR SENIOR ACADEMIC STANDING

2) GPA:
   a) Pacific GPA ≥ 3.7 for seniors
   b) Pacific GPA ≥ 3.9 for juniors

3) MATHEMATICS REQUIREMENT:
The mathematics requirement is met by passing a pre-calculus course or its equivalent with a letter grade option (not pass/fail). This can be met in many ways:
   a) MATH 007, 037, 041, 051, 053, 055, 057 with a C- or better
   b) MTHC ≥ 72 and MTHD ≥ 50
   c) MTHE ≥ 34
   d) SAT II Math ≥ 590
   e) Any AP calculus test ≥ 3
   f) Any IB calculus test ≥ 4

4) FOREIGN LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT:
The foreign language requirement is met by completing the fourth semester of a college level foreign language, or its equivalent with a letter grade option (not pass/fail). This can be met by:
   a) CHIN 025, GERM 025, RUSS 025, FREN 025, JAPN 025, SPAN 025, LTN 025, GREK 025
   b) Any AP foreign language test = 5
   c) Any IB foreign language test = 7

5) LITERATURE COURSE REQUIREMENT:
The literature course may be any one of the following (not pass/fail):
   a) ENGL 025, 041, 043, 051, 053, 122, 123, 125, 127, 131, 133, 135, 141, 143, 151, 153, 161, 163
   b) FREN 051, 114, 116, 118, 122, 124, 126, 128, 191, 193
   c) JAPN 170, 172, 180
   d) SPAN 103, 112, 120, 122, 124, 126, 128, 133, 135, 191
   e) RUSS 073
   f) GERM 128
   g) ASIA 130
   h) RELI 172
   i) CLAS 110, 112
   j) INTL 123
   k) Any AP literature test ≥ 4
   l) Any IB literature test ≥ 4

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by John D. Zeglis,
corporate leader in wireless communications

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