This year, we are encouraging every TBP chapter to participate in the STEM achievement gap awareness week.

**What is the STEM Achievement Gap Awareness Week and what are its goals?**
The STEM Achievement Gap Awareness Week will be a project, coordinated by campus representatives of Teach For America and Tau Beta Pi. By co-sponsoring a STEM Achievement Gap Awareness Week, Tau Beta Pi and Teach For America hope to work together to achieve our shared vision of ensuring all students have access to a high-quality STEM education. Specifically, the planning and executing of a STEM Achievement Gap Awareness Week will:
- Increase awareness of the STEM achievement gap among college students
- Inspire campuses to take action towards achieving educational equity

**What does the STEM Achievement Gap Awareness Week actually look like on my campus?**
Members of Teach For America and Tau Beta Pi would work with you and your fellow Tau Beta Pi members to plan, organize and execute activities that interest your specific chapter. Potential ways that your chapter could partner with your campus Teach For America representative include, but are not limited to:
- Joint effort to post flyers and chalk around campus advertising the STEM Achievement Gap Awareness Week (for example, passing out post cards that share the sobering statistic that only 3% of 4th graders in Detroit Public Schools are proficient in math)
- Co-hosting a panel on the STEM achievement gap
- Co-hosting a screening of an achievement gap related movie
- Co-hosting a school visit to observe a successful STEM teacher in a low-income classroom
- Co-hosting a presentation to Tau Beta Pi members (this presentation could be informational or could provide professional development, such as developing your leadership potential or making the most of your college experience)

**What would my chapter actually have to do to help organize, plan, and execute the STEM Achievement Gap Awareness Week?**
- Having a member of your chapter participate in the introductory and general information conference call on April 3.
- Having a chapter representative participate in campus-specific planning calls, where a member of the Teach For America staff will work with you to create a sound plan.
- Depending upon what activities you and the Teach For America representative choose to do, potential additional responsibilities include:
  - Securing a STEM faculty member to participate in a panel
  - Providing students to chalk campus and/or pass out flyers (Teach For America would provide you with the flyers)
  - Securing a room to host a panel or presentation
  - Driving student attendance (both Tau Beta Pi members and non-Tau Beta Pi members)

**What is the timeline for this?**
- Attend the informational webinar.
- Connect with your Teach For America campus representative as soon as possible.
- Conduct your first planning meeting.
- Execute STEM achievement gap activities between April and May