Pin trading is an opportunity for clubs to create a unique pin and interact with other convention attendees. It is one of the best ways to get to know students who are attending state convention. It is not necessarily the pin that is important, but rather the opportunity to meet someone new. One pin per club may be submitted for judging during the time printed in the program. During the award presentation plaques will be awarded to Club Trading Pins, however, a club does not have to receive this award to participate at the National Convention.

**COMPETITION GUIDELINES:**

1. Club Trading Pins may promote your club, but must not have reference to or promote any candidate for office.

2. Must be commercially reproduced.

3. May have dangles, light up elements, moving parts, etc.

4. Backs of pins are sharp and must be used with care by collectors.

5. Clubs will submit one pin for judging during the time printed in the program.

6. Pins must not be traded for anything other than pins.

7. Pin trading may take place any time during the convention except during sessions.

8. All pins must be Beta related but do not have to be based on the theme.

9. Although this is not a National Competition, recognition will be given to the top exhibitors.
REGISTER TO COMPETE:

During the registration process, you will have the opportunity to register to compete in the trading pin competition.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

• **How many pins do we bring?** The more pins Betas bring, the more trading Betas can do. Keep in mind club members will want pins to trade at both state and national convention. Club pins also serve as a memento of the year. So members may want one to keep.

• **When is trading appropriate?** Anytime except during the general sessions.

• **What is the purpose of trading pins?** Meet people, make friends, and practice business skills.

• **How can I display my pins?** Convention lanyard, pin towel, pin trading book, etc.

• **Where do we begin if our club would like to produce a trading pin?** Start by brainstorming or drawing your own design. There are endless possibilities! This is a chance to use your creativity and imagination. It could be something unique to your club or school.