Big Brother and Mentor Program Education

In August 2022, the North American Interfraternity Conference (NIC) and its member fraternities agreed to adding a line to the NIC Bylaws of the NIC Constitution to say:

Section 2 (a)(2) Health and Safety: (I). Provide ongoing education on member organization Big Brother and Mentor Programs.

The vote provided organizations a year (August 31, 2023) to implement programming.

Acacia has been lucky to partner with Plaid for programs like Tightrope already. Therefore, we decided to utilize their Big Brother and Mentor Program Education program. What does this mean?

- All active members of all Acacia chapters have access to complete this online education
- Acacia Fraternity recommends any member of the chapter who will be acting as a "big brother," "pledge dad," or "mentor" to a new member, completes this programming before announcing Big/Little pairings.
- There is no additional cost to chapters for this program as it will be covered as part of your dues.

How do I access the Big Brother and Mentor Program Education?

- 1. Login to myAcacia
- 2. In the grey toolbar on the left hand side of screen, click on the button labeled "Plaid LMS & Tightrope."
- 3. Your Plaid page will pop up. In the bottom half of the screen will be a Catalog section. In that section there will be a box with a picture and the title "Big Brother and Mentor Program Education." Click there.
- 4. Click "Enroll Now"
- 5. The program should pop up to the box that says "Your Enrollments" which is on top half of screen
- 6. Click the "Play" button and it will take you through the course!

If you have any problems accessing the program, please follow these steps:

- 1. Go to this website to see if you can troubleshoot yourself: https://beingplaid.my.site.com/s/
- 2. If you don't find the information you need after reviewing the help center, please create and submit a ticket to Plaid directly: https://beingplaid.my.site.com/s/contactsupport
- 3. If you do not hear back from them in 3 business days, reach out to Director of Chapter Development, Kelsey at KGM@acacia.org

