

Honor Code Ceremony

This traditional event is held at the McIver Amphitheater next to the campus lake, where commencement is held in the spring. New students gather at dusk to hear faculty and student speakers address topics of honor, integrity and the Honor Code at Meredith. The Statement of Honor (see below) is then read and each student lights a candle. When all candles are lit, the Honor Council Chair leads the group in stating Meredith's Honor Pledge (see below). Students then sign a pledge card demonstrating their commitment to Meredith's Honor System. Students then process out of the amphitheater in silence.

Statement of Honor

We, the Meredith College, are committed to developing and affirming in each student a sense of personal honor and responsibility. Uncompromising honesty and forthrightness are essential elements of this commitment. The Honor System is a method by which individual honors are protected and maintained. Any dishonorable action will be regarded as a violation of this commitment, and corrective action will be taken.

If I am in violation of the Honor Code, to prevent jeopardizing the Honor System or weakening our system of self-government, I have an obligation to report myself to the proper authorities. If I am aware of a violation of the Honor System by another student, I shall call this matter to the attention of that student as a violation of responsibility to the community.

In choosing Meredith College, I am accepting the Honor System as a way of life. As a Meredith student, I am responsible for insuring that the Honor System is at all times carried out.

Honor Pledge

I do solemnly pledge my honor that as long as I am a student at Meredith College, I will faithfully uphold the principles of the Honor Code and will respect and observe the procedures and requirements of the Honor System. I also pledge my support to our system of self-government, an integral part of our way of life at Meredith College. I make this pledge in view of my fellow students thus signifying our high resolve to keep our honor forever sacred and our self-government forever strong.