

HAZING

It is the policy of the Board of School Trustees and School Corporation that hazing activities of any type are inconsistent with the educational process and will be prohibited at all times. Hazing is defined as causing a person to perform or submit to an act of initiation or rite of passage into a class, group, team, or organization if the act or series of acts is demeaning, or results in a foreseeable risk of mental, emotional, or physical harm. Consent, or assumption of risk by a target, shall not be considered in determining if hazing has occurred. See I.C. 35-42-2-2.5.

No administrator, faculty member, or other employee of the school district will encourage, permit, condone, or tolerate hazing activities. No student, including leaders of student organizations, will plan, encourage, or engage in any hazing.

Administrators, faculty members, and all other employees of the school district will be particularly alert to possible situations, circumstances of events that might include hazing. If hazing or planned hazing is discovered, involved students will be informed by the discovering school employee of the prohibition contained in this policy and will be required to end all hazing activities immediately. All hazing incidents will be reported immediately to the superintendent.

Administrators, faculty members, students, and all other employees who fail to abide by this policy may be subject to disciplinary action, and may be liable for civil and criminal penalties in accordance with law.

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