

CENTRAL COLUMBIA SCHOOL DISTRICT

HAZING

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6627 All students have a right to a safe, positive environment that is free from hazing. Hazing activities of any type are inconsistent with the educational goals of the Central Columbia School District and are prohibited at all times. It is the school district's responsibility to investigate any complaints of hazing.

6627.1 For purposes of this policy hazing is defined as any activity that recklessly or intentionally endangers the mental health or safety of a student for the purpose of initiation or membership in or affiliation with any organization recognized by the Board.

6627.2 Any hazing activity, whether by an individual or a group, shall be presumed to be a forced activity, even if a student willingly participates.

The district shall annually inform students, parents, coaches, sponsors, volunteers and district staff that hazing of district students is prohibited.

6627.3 Complaint Procedures

6627.3.a When a student believes that s/he has been subject to hazing, the student shall promptly report the incident, orally or in writing, to the building principal.

6627.3.b The principal shall conduct a timely, impartial, thorough, and comprehensive investigation of the alleged hazing.

6627.3.c If the investigation results in a substantiated finding of hazing, the principal shall recommend appropriate disciplinary action. Additionally, the student may be subject to disciplinary action by the coach or sponsor, up to and including removal from the activity.

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