Policy

BOARD OF EDUCATION HORTONVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

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STUDENT HAZING

The Board of Education believes that hazing activities of any type are inconsistent with the educational process and a violation of State law. It prohibits all such activities at any time in school facilities, on school property, and at any District-sponsored event.

Hazing shall be defined for purposes of this policy as performing any act or coercing another, including the victim, to perform any act of initiation into any class, group, or organization that causes or creates a risk of causing mental, emotional, or physical harm. Permission, consent, or assumption of risk by an individual subjected to hazing shall not lessen the prohibitions contained in this policy.

Administrators, faculty members, and other employees of the District shall be alert to possible situations, circumstances, or events which might include hazing, If hazing or planned hazing is discovered, the students involved shall be informed by the discoverer of the prohibitions contained in this policy and shall be ordered to end all hazing activities or planned activities immediately. All hazing incidents shall be reported immediately to the District Administrator. Students, administrators, faculty members, and other employees who fail to abide by this policy may be subject to disciplinary action and may be held personally liable for civil or criminal penalties. Disciplinary action for students may include, but not be limited to, suspension and/or expulsion.

The District Administrator shall distribute this policy to all students and District employees, and shall incorporate it into building, staff, and student handbooks. It shall also be the subject of discussion at employee staff meetings or in-service programs.

118.13 Wis. Stats. 120.13 Wis. Stats. P.I. 9, 41 Wis. Admin. Code Fourteenth Amendment, U.S .Constitution 20 U.S.C. 1415 20 U.S.C. 1681 et Seq., Title IX of Education Amendments Act 20 U.S.C. 1701 et seq., Equal Educational Opportunities Act 29 U.S.C. 794, Rehabilitation Act of 1973 42 U.S.C. 1983 42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq., The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 42 U.S.C. 2000 et seq., Civil rights Act of 1964 42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq. 34 C.F.R., Sec. 300.600-300.662 Vocational Education program guidelines for Eliminating Discrimination and Denial of Services, Department of Education, Office of Civil rights, 1979 © NEOLA 2009

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