

PROHIBITING THE ACT OF HAZING

Hazing, as defined in Chapter 536 of the Acts of 1985, amended by the Acts of 1987, Ch. 665, and currently defined under Mass. General Laws, Ch. 269, Section 17, is prohibited by all organizations, employees, and students under the jurisdiction of the Wareham School Committee. Hazing will be considered a major offense under the school discipline policy as adopted by the Wareham School Committee and filed with the State Department of Education.

All employees of the Wareham Public Schools are directed to refrain from, and not to support in any way, the activity of hazing. Any employee violating this directive of the School Committee will be found to be insubordinate. Such insubordination would subject the employee to discipline by the Superintendent and could result also in dismissal.

Further, as defined in Mass. General Laws, Ch. 269, Section 18, employees who know that another person is the victim of hazing are, to the extent that they can do so without danger or peril to themselves or others, required to report the crime of hazing to an appropriate law enforcement official as soon as reasonably practical.

Distribution of the hazing policy will be in accordance to MGL Chapter 269, Section 19.

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