

Campus Hazing Transparency Report

This report provides public information about hazing policy violations by student organizations at Lake Forest College, as required under the Stop Campus Hazing Act (SCHA).

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I. Overview and Purpose

Federal law requires Lake Forest College to publicly disclose hazing policy violations committed by established or recognized student organizations. This Campus Hazing Transparency Report provides details regarding student organizations that have been found responsible for violating the College's hazing policy.

Only cases resulting in a finding of responsibility, whether through a formal hearing or an informal resolution in which the organization accepts responsibility, are included in this report. Cases that do not result in a responsible outcome, as well as organizations with investigations still in progress, are not listed.

Federal Context: Stop Campus Hazing Act (SCHA)

The Stop Campus Hazing Act (SCHA), enacted on December 23, 2024, amended the Clery Act to enhance hazing prevention efforts and increase institutional transparency. Under SCHA, colleges and universities are required to:

1. **Improve reporting** by including hazing offenses that meet the federal crime definition in the institution's Annual Security and Fire Safety Report ("Clery Report").

- 2. **Strengthen prevention** by implementing campus-wide, research-based hazing education and prevention programs.
- 3. **Increase transparency** by publishing a Campus Hazing Transparency Report summarizing hazing policy violations by established or recognized student organizations.

This report fulfills Lake Forest College's obligation under SCHA to publicly disclose hazing policy violations by student organizations.

II. Key Definitions

- **Hazing:** As defined in the Lake Forest College <u>Student Handbook</u> under the hazing policy violations by student organizations.
- **Student Organization:** As defined in the <u>Student Handbook</u>, including fraternities, sororities, clubs, associations, athletic teams, club sports teams, and other groups whose members are Lake Forest students.
- **Responsible Outcome:** A determination that a student organization violated Lake Forest College's hazing policy, reached either through a formal hearing or an informal resolution.

III. What This Report Includes

Lake Forest College's student conduct process allows responsibility to be established either through a formal hearing or an informal resolution in which the organization accepts responsibility. To comply with federal requirements, this report includes the following information for each student organization found responsible for violating the hazing policy:

- A. The name of the student organization.
- B. A general description of the violation that resulted in a responsible outcome, including:
 - a. Whether the violation involved the abuse or illegal use of alcohol or drugs
 - b. The institution's findings
 - c. Any sanctions imposed on the student organization
- C. The dates on which:
 - a. The incident was alleged to have occurred
 - b. The investigation was initiated
 - c. The investigation concluded with a finding of a hazing violation
 - d. The institution notified the student organization of the violation

All information in this report complies with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and excludes any personally identifiable student information. Lake Forest College will update the Campus Hazing Transparency Report twice per year, in accordance with federal requirements under the Stop Campus Hazing Act.

Annual crime statistics are published in the University's Annual Security and Fire Safety Report. Hazing statistics will be included for the first time in the 2025 report, scheduled for release in Fall 2026. These data reflect incidents reported to Public Safety or local law enforcement that meet the federal definition of "hazing," as established in section 485(f)(6)(A)(vi) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1092(f)(6)(A)(vi)). Please note that these figures encompass all qualifying reports and are not limited to cases resulting in a formal determination of responsibility.

IV. Hazing Policy Violations: 2025-2026 Academic Year

There were no responsible outcomes for hazing policy violations during the Fall 2025 semester.

V. Hazing Policy Violations: 2024-2025 Academic Year

There were no responsible outcomes for hazing policy violations during the 2024-2025 academic year.

Organization	N/A		
Date of Hazing Incident(s)	N/A		
Date of Investigation	N/A		
Date of Responsible Outcome	N/A		
Policy Violation(s)	N/A		
Sanction(s)	N/A		
Description of Hazing Incident(s)			
N/A			