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Dear fraternity and sorority community members,

The fraternity and sorority community has had a long-standing history at Lehigh University. Our first organization was founded on campus in 1872, only seven years after Lehigh University's founding, and continues to grow. The purpose of these organizations is to develop students holistically across their founding principles that foster leadership, service, scholarship, integrity, and friendship.

In alignment with those principles, it is the expectation of the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs (OFSA) that all members of the community (students, advisors, and alumni) uphold and integrate the meaning behind their organization's unique rituals and values throughout their daily lives. It is also expected that these organizations uphold federal, state, and local ordinances as well as University policies. Policies include, but are not limited to, those of Student Conduct and Community Expectations as well as the Principles for our Equitable Community.

As a new member/neophyte or an active member in a Greek-letter organization, if you feel pressure to prove your membership by participating in or overlooking hazing activities (please see ["What is Hazing?"](#)), there are actions you can take. Contact the Lehigh University Police Department, call the National Hazing Hotline, or anonymously submit an online form at any time to report a hazing incident (please see ["Report Hazing"](#)).

Hazing is inconsistent with the values inherent in fraternities and sororities as well as the University. Lehigh University does not condone hazing among any student(s) or student organization. This is exhibited through the University's efforts to transform hazing cultures by developing an evidence base for effective hazing prevention. These efforts are part of the [Hazing Prevention Consortium](#), an initiative comprised of 8 institutions committed to the elimination of hazing. Please join OFSA and other campus partners in the creation of a culture where hazing is not tolerated in the Lehigh community.

Please contact OFSA at (610) 758-4157 or infrasor@lehigh.edu with any questions or concerns related to hazing or additional matters related to the success of your Greek-letter organization.

Sincerely,

The Office of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs Staff