



Central Valley School District

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To All Students, Parents, Players and Coaches:

The Central Valley School District does not sanction "hazing" and/or "bullying" of students in any way. Hazing or bullying, whether instituted by one person or by a group of persons directed against a person or a group of persons, is not permitted by the school district and is not condoned by any staff member. The school district recognizes that hazing/bullying may endanger the physical or mental health or safety of a student against which the hazing has been directed.

Any form of hazing/bullying will result in school district disciplinary action against those administering, participating in, and/or responsible for the hazing/bullying. This will mean suspension and/or expulsion. In addition, legal charges may be filed with the police department. These charges could include, but are not limited to, disorderly conduct, harassment or reckless endangerment.

Some examples of hazing/bullying include, but are not limited to:

- Requiring calisthenics such as push-ups, sit-ups, grass drills, etc.
- Requiring the transportation of items such as helmets, books, shoulder pads, etc.
- Preventing or restricting class attendance.
- Forcing someone to eat or drink against their will.
- Placing items or substances, such as Icy Hot on equipment or on a person's body.
- Forcing a student or groups of students to wear certain garments.
- Throwing items at an individual.
- Paddling or striking an individual in any manner.
- Marking or branding an individual.

Hazing and/or bullying of any type is inconsistent with the educational goals of the district and is prohibited at all times. Individuals who are aware of hazing/bullying incidents are encouraged to step forward and make coaches, teachers or administrators aware of the situation.

Sincerely,

Anthony M. Mendicino
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