

Hazing Policy and Reporting Requirements Under Georgia State Law and Federal Law Comparison

Desk Reference for the Stop Campus Hazing Act & the Max Gruver Act Transparency Report

Georgia State Law (Max Gruver Act)	Federal Law (Stop Campus Hazing Act)
Scope of Organizations Covered	
Applies to all "school organizations", including unrecognized groups with students or alumni as principal members (Ga. Code Ann., § 16-5-61(a)(3)).	Applies only to recognized or established student organizations with at least two enrolled students (20 U.S.C. § 1092(f)(9)(A)).
Individuals Covered	
Applies to both students and school organizations (Ga. Code Ann., § 20-1-30(b)(1)).	Applies only to student organizations, not individual students (20 U.S.C. § 1092(f)(9)(A)).
Policy Requirements	
Must include policies for reporting, investigating, providing due process, and adjudicating hazing incidents (Ga. Code Ann., § 20-1-30(b)(1)).	Must include a definition of hazing, procedures for reporting and investigating incidents, and information on applicable local, state, and tribal laws (20 U.S.C. § 1092(f)(1)(K)).
Definition of Hazing	
Must use the definition from Ga. Code Ann., § 16-5-61(a)(1), focusing on physical endangerment and coerced consumption.	Institutions define hazing, but must align with policy under (f)(1)(K). Federal statistical reporting uses a broader definition (f)(6)(A)(vi).
Policy Establishment Deadline	
July 1, 2021 (Ga. Code Ann., § 20-1-30(b)(1)).	June 23, 2025 (effective date for amendments, including (f)(1)(K), per Section 2(c)(1)), pending U.S. Department of Education guidance.
Hazing Incident Data Collection	
Ongoing since July 1, 2021, with disclosures within 15 days of adjudication (Ga. Code Ann., § 20-1-30(b)(2)).	Begins July 1, 2025, for the Campus Hazing Transparency Report (CHTR) (20 U.S.C. § 1092(f)(9)(A)(i)).

First Disclosure Deadline	
Policies established by July 1, 2021 (Ga. Code Ann., § 20-1-30(b)(1)), with ongoing disclosures thereafter.	First CHTR due by December 23, 2025 (20 U.S.C. § 1092(f)(9)(A)).
Update Frequency	
Public disclosure within 15 calendar days of final adjudication or conviction notice (Ga. Code Ann., § 20-1-30(b)(2)).	CHTR must be updated at least twice each year (biannually) (20 U.S.C. § 1092(f)(9)(A)(iii)).
Information Disclosed	
Must disclose organization name, dates, findings, and sanctions (Ga. Code Ann., § 20-1-30(c)).	Must disclose organization name, violation description (including alcohol/drug involvement), findings, sanctions, and incident dates (20 U.S.C. § 1092(f)(9)(A)(iii)).
Privacy Protections for Disclosures	
Disclosures must exclude personal identifying information of any individual student and comply with FERPA (Ga. Code Ann., § 20-1-30(d)).	Disclosures must exclude any personally identifiable information about any individual student and comply with FERPA (20 U.S.C. § 1092(f)(9)(C)).
Additional Reporting	
N/A (Georgia law is the baseline).	Institutions may include additional state-required information in the CHTR (20 U.S.C. § 1092(f)(9)(B)).
<p>Annotation: Georgia institutions should include in the CHTR any additional hazing-related information required by state law, such as disclosures for unrecognized groups or individual student incidents, to align with state mandates and enhance transparency.</p>	