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Campus Hazing Transparency Report

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This Hazing Transparency Report provides information related to campus hazing, including details on incidents of hazing reported to Ball State University.

Ball State University hazing statistics are available in the Annual Security Report (Clery) and can be found at [Annual Security | Ball State University](#). Hazing statistics for 2025 will be available in the 2026 Annual Security Report. In addition, the ASR contains a statement of policies and programming related to hazing, including how to report and the process used to investigate incidents of hazing, as well as information on applicable local, State, and Tribal laws.

Hazing is defined as any intentional, knowing, or reckless act committed by a person (whether individually or in concert with other persons) against another person or persons regardless of the willingness of such other person or persons to participate, that: (1) is committed in the course of an initiation into, an affiliation with, or the maintenance of membership in, any organization operating under the sanction of Ball State University; and (2) causes or creates a risk, above the reasonable risk encountered in the course of participation in Ball State activities or the organization (such as the physical preparation necessary for participation in an athletic team) of physical or psychological injury. More information can be found by reviewing the [Hazing Policy](#).

Additional information related to the investigation, citation, sanction or punishment, and group or organization is available upon request and in accordance with IC 5-14-3 (access to public records). Personal identifiable information protected by [FERPA](#) will not be released. Ball State's process to request access to public records is available at [Request for Access to Public Records - General Counsel | Ball State University](#). Records related to hazing incidents will be maintained for at least five years from the date of this report.

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Name of Organization investigated: Delta Tau Delta
Organization Recognized by Student Life: Yes
Date of incident: March 17-24, 2025
Date investigation began: October 8, 2025
Date investigation ended and resulted in a charge: November 12, 2025
Date organization was notified of the hazing violation/charged with policy violation: November 12, 2025
Date sanctions went into effect: November 12, 2025

Summary of the incident:

Multiple classes of New Members have been hazed in Delta Tau Delta for the past several years during Initiation Week or I-Week. New Members were blindfolded and led around the house anywhere from 20-40 minutes, were left in a dark room for an extended amount of time while active members were yelling, were lined up by pin number and told to hold items in their hands or say things about members' mothers or significant others. New Members were also instructed to connect how random objects related to the identity of Delta Tau Delta and when they answered incorrectly, they had to drink or eat something unusual. New Members also reported being berated for getting answers on the memorization test incorrect.

Investigation findings:

Delta Tau Delta accepted responsibility for violating the University's hazing policy.

Sanctions imposed on the organization:

- Conduct probation from November 12, 2025, to December 31, 2026
- Update their New Member Program and provide the new plan to the Office of Student Life, Fraternity and Sorority Life
- Completion of a leadership retreat led by Delta Tau Delta Headquarters and a restorative conversation with Interfraternity Council (IFC)
- Successful completion of all sanctions assigned by Delta Tau Delta Headquarters.