



The Ohio State University Interfraternity Council and Panhellenic Association Joint Statement on the Community (February 25, 2020)

Over the course of this past week Ohio State's Interfraternity Council and Panhellenic communities have had several organizations placed on directives by the university's Office of Student Conduct. These directives are altered courses of action for the chapters and will remain in place for these groups pending the resolution of an investigation into their chapter by Student Conduct.

Of the groups given directives, two Interfraternity Council Chapters were placed on social directives, two Panhellenic Chapters were placed on social directives, and two Interfraternity Council Chapters were placed on interim suspension which includes social directives. Chapters on social directives are not permitted to hold events with alcohol present in any form until the Office of Student Conduct concludes their investigation. Chapters placed on interim suspension have been ordered to halt all chapter activities, pending the resolution of their investigation. These chapters may not hold social events, recruitment events, or chapter meetings, and must stop all new member activities while under investigation.

We encourage chapters that have been placed under directives to cooperate fully with the Office of Student Conduct during their investigation. We fully trust that the University and the Office of Student Conduct are pursuing thorough investigations into alleged policy violations. The Interfraternity Council and Panhellenic Association are fully committed to honoring whatever decision they reach. It is the firm belief of both the Interfraternity Council and the Panhellenic Association that we continually work to create an environment that reflects the values of The Ohio State University Sorority and Fraternity community and move forward with a renewed commitment to the expectations we, as members of the Greek community, all hold ourselves to.

Members of the Interfraternity Council and Panhellenic Executive Boards will make themselves available to those chapters to help better connect them with resources to navigate these investigations. The Interfraternity Council and Panhellenic Council exist to be a resource to our community, and we encourage our members to reach out with questions and for information on best practices as we continually work to better our community and better represent our member organizations' values.

More information regarding the ongoing investigations can be found on the Sorority & Fraternity Life website (sfl.osu.edu) in the conduct history document.