

What is FERPA?

And what are my student rights?

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) (20 U.S.C. § 1232g; 34 CFR Part 99) is a Federal law that protects the privacy of student education records. The law applies to all schools that receive funds under an applicable program of the U.S. Department of Education

When a student enrolls in a post secondary program, that student is given the right to their own records. Before that, a parent or guardian can request on their behalf.

Parents and students are given the right to inspect and review educational records.

Protecting Your Data:

Learn what your school considers directory information.

Learn what school official, student, educational records, and sole possession records are.

What is directory information?

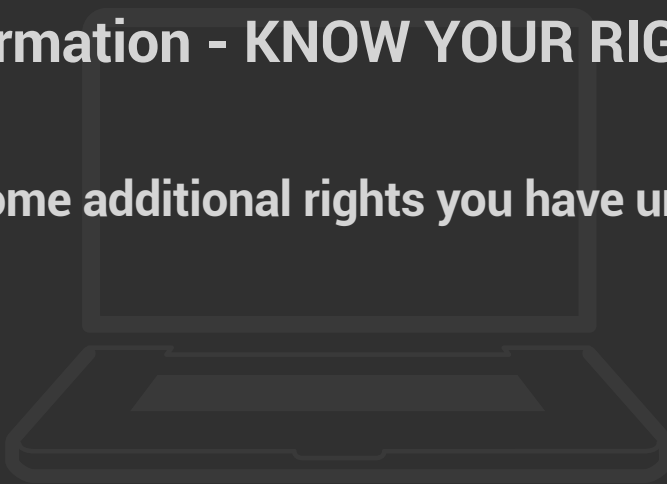
- This is information the institution can share with those whom request it - IF they have a reason to have it.

Some examples of Directory Information:

Name, Address, Phone, Email Address
Class Standing, School/Division, Major
Dates Attended, Current Enrollment Status
Degrees and Awards
Recognized Student Activities and Sports
Info Related to Athletic Team Participation

You typically can restrict your directory information - KNOW YOUR RIGHTS!

Here are some additional rights you have under FERPA:



You can request your FERPA information annually, and the school must comply in 45 days (or less)



You can request corrections to FERPA information



You can give written consent for others to see your data

