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Among its several purposes, the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA) (20 U.S.C. § 1232g; 34 CFR Part 99) is a Federal law enacted to protect the privacy of students' education records, to establish the rights of students to inspect and review their education records, and to provide students with an opportunity to have inaccurate or misleading information in their education records corrected.

FERPA also permits the disclosure by an institution without a student's prior consent of so-called directory information about that student such as a student's name, address, telephone number, date and place of birth, honors and awards, and dates of attendance. Students have the right to file complaints with the Department of Education's Family Policy Compliance Office concerning alleged failures by an institution to comply with FERPA.

Visit the FERPA Regulations website for a more detailed view of the privacies you are entitled to as a student.











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