

**** LEGAL UPDATE ****

FERPA AND CAMPUS SAFETY

INTRODUCTION:

FERPA is a federal law that protects the privacy of student education records. It applies to all schools that receive federal financial assistance. FERPA gives students the right to inspect and review their education records held by the school. It also gives students the right to request the correction of inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise unfair information in their education records. FERPA also gives parents certain rights with respect to their children's education records. FERPA restricts the disclosure of personally identifiable information from education records to third parties without the consent of the student or parent.

DISCUSSION:

Question: What does FERPA restrict?

Answer: FERPA restricts the disclosure of personally identifiable information from education records to third parties without the consent of the student or parent. It also restricts the disclosure of personally identifiable information from education records to other school officials without the consent of the student or parent, unless the school official has a legitimate educational interest in the information.

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May information from a student's education records be disclosed to protect health or safety?

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Question: What if FAU receives a court order or subpoena requesting student records?

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Question: May an FAU employee disclose personal knowledge and impressions about a student, based on the employee's personal interactions with the student?

Answer:



CONCLUSION:



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