

Student Records

Confidentiality

Cape Cod Community College complies with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA) (Buckley Amendment) which governs access to and release of information contained in student educational records. Students have the right to review their educational records and seek correction of errors they may find in their records. Students have the right to file written complaints with the U.S. Department of Education, Family Policy Compliance Office, concerning alleged violations of this act. Release of Educational Records: Personally identifiable information may be released under certain circumstances, as provided by law. These include but are not limited to the following:

- College personnel may have limited access to student records for legitimate educational or administrative purposes.
- Confidential student records may be released pursuant to a court subpoena. However, the Registrar shall seek professional judgment in determining which information to release and shall so notify the student in writing prior to releasing the requested information.
- Medical and counseling records are different from educational records, and access is more limited. Such records will not be released without the student's prior consent except as provided by law.
- Information regarding the student, including educational records, may be released to parents of students who are claimed as dependents on their income tax returns.
- A log or record will be kept for all students documenting release of that student's records. No entry in the record need be made if access is provided by federal or state law.
- The College may refuse to release transcripts for such reasons as unpaid financial obligations to the College.
- The College may refuse to release any personally identifiable information, the disclosure of which may constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Students seeking additional information regarding their rights under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act should contact the Registrar's Office or the Vice President of Academic and Students Affairs Office.