

## FERPA: A Guide for Parents



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### **What is FERPA?**

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) is a federal law that protects the privacy of student education records and gives parents certain rights regarding their children's records.

FERPA is important because it safeguards your child's personal and academic information. It ensures that you have control over who can see your child's educational records and gives you the right to make sure the information in those records is correct.

FERPA safeguards "educational records" that pertain directly to your child and are kept by the school. These records encompass various documents, such as report cards, academic transcripts, course schedules, and disciplinary records.



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## How Northside Implements FERPA

Regarding student privacy, our district accords utmost importance to safeguarding their information. We have implemented the following measures to ensure compliance with FERPA:

- We have developed policies and procedures that govern the collection, maintenance, and disclosure of student education records.
- We provide resources to all staff members on FERPA requirements.
- We carefully review all requests for student education records to ensure that they are authorized.
- We maintain the confidentiality of student education records by storing them in secure locations and limiting access to authorized individuals.
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You can learn more about FERPA by reading ["A Parent guide tot eh FEamily Education Rights and Privacy Act \(FERPA\)".](#)