

## Confidentiality of Student Records

Student records are protected by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, state law, and Kern Community College District Board Policy from access by casual or unauthorized persons. Access to records is provided to the student, appropriate college staff members, persons having written consent of the student, or by court order or subpoena. The Privacy Act affords Cerro Coso Community College the right to release such "Directory Information" as the student's name, address, e-mail address, photographs, telephone number, date and place of birth, major field of study, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, weight and height of members of athletic teams, dates of attendance, degrees and awards received, and the most recent previous educational agency or institution attended. If a student does not want this information released, the student must check the confidentiality requested box on the admission/update forms. Present and former Cerro Coso Community College students are given the right to inspect, review, and challenge the contents of all educational records related to them. No information contained in their educational records may be released without their consent, except to those agencies or individuals authorized by the Act. Students wishing to inspect, review, or challenge any of their educational records must contact Admissions and Records (760) 384-6357.