

# FERPA REGULATIONS CHEAT SHEET

## WHEN IN DOUBT DO NOT SHARE

- DO NOT save student information on unprotected drives or disks.
- DO NOT leave work area unsecured.
- DO NOT leave documents with sensitive information lying around in plain sight.
- DO NOT share your password.
- DO NOT allow a student's grade to be exposed to any student other than to whom they belong.
- DO NOT leave documents with sensitive information lying about in plain sight.
- DO NOT release a student's schedule.
- DO NOT release copies of transcripts from another institution.
- DO NOT access student information unless there is a specific and legitimate educational and work related interest.
- ONLY access information specific to your duties.
- DO NOT share protected student information with coworkers unless necessary.
- BE AWARE of all privacy warnings displayed in myCSU.
- BE AWARE of publicly visible computer screens and documents.
- ALWAYS lock computers and/or office when leaving your workspace, even if only for a moment.
- ALWAYS confirm the identity of the student using either a photo ID or their myCSU picture before releasing protected information.
- ONLY the student may consent to the release of their protected information to a third party outside of the university.
- ONLY access information specific to your duties.
- REFER SUBPOENAS AND OPEN RECORDS REQUESTS to the Office of Legal Affairs.

### INFORMATION THAT MAY BE SHARED (i.e. directory information)

\*Unless student has active Directory Information Non-Disclosure Form

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| • Name                      | • Photograph                                                   |
| • Current Enrollment Status | • Deans/President List                                         |
| • Major or Field of Study   | • Previous Dates of Attendance                                 |
| • Degrees Earned            | • Participation in Officially Recognized Activities and Sports |
| • Email Addresses           |                                                                |

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