VENTURA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

BOARD POLICY NO. 5125 ADOPTED: 2/24/97

CLASSIFICATION: Students REVISED: 06/25/18

03/15/21

SUBJECT: Student Records

The Ventura County Board of Education and County Superintendent recognizes the importance of keeping accurate, comprehensive student records as required by law. The Superintendent or designee shall establish administrative regulations governing the identification, collection, retention, and security of student records. These regulations shall ensure the rights of authorized persons to have timely access to student records while maintaining the confidentiality of student records consistent with state and federal law.

The Superintendent or designee shall designate a certificated employee to serve as custodian of records with responsibility for student records at the district level. At each school, the principal or a certificated employee shall be designated as custodian of records for students enrolled at that school. The custodian of records shall be responsible for implementing Board policy and administrative regulation regarding student records.

All appropriate personnel shall receive training regarding district policies and procedures for gathering and handling sensitive student information.

The Ventura County Office of Education (VCOE) shall not collect or solicit social security numbers or the last four digits of social security numbers of students or their parents/guardians, unless otherwise required to do so by state or federal law.

No information or documents regarding the citizenship or immigration status of students or their family members shall be collected, except as required by state or federal law or as required to administer a state or federally supported educational program. The Superintendent or designee shall not disclose student records to a person, agency, or organization for immigration enforcement purposes without parental consent, a court order, or a judicial subpoena. If a VCOE employee receives such a request, he/she shall immediately report the request to the Superintendent. The Superintendent shall report the request to the Board in a timely manner that ensures the confidentiality and privacy of any potentially identifying information.

The Superintendent or designee shall not compile a list, registry, or database based on students' national origin, ethnicity, or religious belief, practice, or affiliation, nor shall he/she disclose student information to federal government authorities for the purpose of compiling such a list, registry, or database for purposes of immigration enforcement. Such information may only be compiled or exchanged with other local, state, or federal agencies if the information is aggregated and is not personally identifiable.

STUDENT RECORDS FROM SOCIAL MEDIA

The Superintendent or designee may gather and maintain information from the social media of any district student, provided that the district first notifies students and parents/guardians about the proposed program, offers an opportunity for public comment at a regularly scheduled Board meeting, and gathers only information that directly pertains to school safety or student safety.

CONTRACT FOR DIGITAL STORAGE, MANAGEMENT, AND RETRIEVAL OF STUDENT RECORDS

The Superintendent or designee may enter into a contract with a third party for the digital storage, management, and retrieval of student records and/or to authorize a third party provider of digital software to access, store, and use student records, provided that the contract meets the requirements of Education Code 49073.1 and other applicable state and federal laws.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE		
	234.7	Student protections relating to immigration and citizenship status
	17604	Contracts
	48201	records for transfer students who have been suspended/expelled
	48853.5	Foster youth; placement, immunizations
	48902	Notification of law enforcement of specified violations
	48904-48904.3	Withholding grades, diplomas, or transcripts
	48918	Rules governing expulsion procedures
	48980	Parental notifications
	48985	Notices in parent/guardian's primary language
	49060-49079	Student records
	49091.14	Parental review of curriculum
	51747	Independent study
	56041.5	Rights of students with disabilities
	56050	Surrogate parents
	56055	Foster parents
	69432.9	Cal Grant program; notification of grade point average

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE

22580-22582	Digital privacy
22584-22585	Student Online Personal Information Protection Act
22586-22587	Early Learning Personal Information Protection Act

CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE

1985.3 Subpoena duces tecum

FAMILY CODE

Access to records by noncustodial parents

6552 Caregiver's authorization affidavit

GOVERNMENT CODE

6252-6260 Inspection of public records

HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

120440 Immunizations; disclosure of information

PENAL CODE

Assault with deadly weapon

WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE

Truancy petitions
701 Juvenile court law

Health and education records of a minor

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

430-438 Individual student records

16020-16027 Destruction of records of school districts

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 26

Definition of dependent child

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

11434a McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act; definitions

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 16

Part 312 Children's Online Privacy Protection Rule

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34

99.1-99.67 Family Educational Rights and Privacy

300.501 Opportunity to examine records for parents of student with disability