

Family Educational Rights (FERPA) and Confidentiality





Course Overview

The purpose of this module is to provide an overview of the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).

This course is meant to ensure that all parties understand parental rights to access to their children's educational records and to protect their privacy rights by limiting access to these records without obtaining prior parental consent. FERPA addresses: access to educational records, parental right to inspect and review records, amendment of records and destruction of records.

Goals & Purpose: This course focuses on FERPA and how to best implement it.

Session 1 – Introduction

This section serves as an introduction to the course.

Session 2 - FERPA

This session features a high-level introduction to the history and purpose of FERPA, including parental rights and requirements..

Session 3 – FERPA Rights and Complaints

This session contains information about educational records: definitions, examples, disclosure of record, and destruction of records.

Session 4 – Course Wrap-Up and Certificate

This section is a conclusion to the course.

Throughout the course, opportunities are provided for you to connect your learning across sessions and to explicitly consider the implications of your learning for your classroom practice. You will also be able to revisit your work and reflections by viewing your individual Course Portfolios.