

### **Education Records/Records of Students with Disabilities\*\***

Education records are those records maintained by the ESD that are directly related to a student.

The primary reason for the keeping and maintaining of education records for students is to help the individual student in his/her educational development by providing pertinent information for the student, his/her teachers and his/her parents. These records also serve as an important source of information to assist students in seeking productive employment and/or post-high school education.

The ESD shall maintain confidential education records of students in a manner that conforms with state and federal laws and regulations.

Information recorded on official education records should be carefully selected, accurate, verifiable and should have a direct and significant bearing upon the student's educational development.

The ESD annually notifies parents or adult students that it forwards educational records requested by an educational agency or institution in which the student seeks to enroll or receive services, including special education evaluation services.

If a student has any outstanding fees, the ESD may impose certain restrictions and/or penalties until fees, fines or damages are paid. Records requested by another district to determine a student's appropriate placement may not be withheld. Students or parents will receive written notice at least 10 days in advance of any restrictions and/or penalties to be imposed until the debt is paid. The notice will include the reason the student owes money to the ESD, an itemization of the fees, fines or damages owed and the right of parents to request a hearing. The ESD may pursue the fees, fines or damages through a private collection agency or other method available to the district. The ESD may waive fees, fines and charges if the student or parents cannot pay, the payment of the debt could impact the health and safety of the student or if the cost of collection would be more than the total collected or there are mitigating circumstances, as determined by the Superintendent.

The ESD shall comply with a request from parents or an adult student to inspect and review records without unnecessary delay. The ESD provides to parents of a student with a disability or to an adult student with a disability the opportunity at any reasonable time to examine all the of the records of the ESD pertaining to the student's identification, evaluation, educational placement and free appropriate public education. The ESD provides parents or an adult student, on request, a list of the types and locations of education records collected, maintained and used by the ESD.

The ESD annually notifies parents of all students, including adult students, currently in attendance that they have to right to:

1. Inspect and review the student's records;