

- Submitting for credit an assignment prepared by another person (or persons).

2. Interference with academic pursuits requiring independent effort:

- Giving, receiving, or using unauthorized assistance on examinations.
- Collaboration with others when independent work is required.
- Deliberately defacing or removing course materials, thereby making them unavailable to others.

3. Buying, selling, or bribing

- Offering to buy or sell unauthorized assistance on exams, papers, or grades.
- Offering or accepting bribes related to academic work.

Investigation

- If any of the above behaviors is suspected, a member of the faculty will speak with the student immediately to state the observation and concern.
- The incident will be investigated and the Dean will make a determination as to the seriousness of the charge.
- If an investigation reveals that a student has engaged in dishonest behavior, he/she will receive a penalty consistent with the seriousness of the offense, up to and including termination.

ACCESS TO STUDENT EDUCATIONAL RECORDS AND PRIVACY RIGHTS

Student records are permanently maintained in an electronic database.

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) of 1974, 20 U.S.C. §1232g, guarantees certain rights and protections to students concerning their school records and the information they provide to the College. The Act protects students from having their educational records or identifying information (i.e., any information that would allow a reasonable person in the school community to identify the student with reasonable certainty) released to outside parties without their written permission. Specifically, the provisions of the Act guarantee students:

1. The right to inspect and review the student's educational records within 45 days after the day SJVC receives a request for access.

A student should submit to the Campus Registrar, Dean of Students, or other appropriate Official, a written request that identifies the record(s) the student wishes to inspect. The School Official will make arrangements for access and notify the student of the time and place where the records may be inspected. If the records are not maintained by the School Official to whom the request was submitted, the Official shall advise the student of the correct Official to whom the request should be addressed.

2. The right to request amendment of student's educational records, that the student believes are inaccurate, misleading, or a violation of the student's privacy rights under FERPA.

A student who wishes to ask the School to amend a record should write the School Official responsible for the record, clearly identifying the date of the record(s) that they want to have amended and specifying the reasons they believe them to be inaccurate, misleading, or a violation of privacy.

SJVC will notify the student in writing and/or verbally of the decision and, if the decision is negative, of the right to a hearing regarding his/her request for amendment. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the student when notified of the right to a hearing.

3. The right to provide written consent before SJVC discloses Personally Identifiable Information (PII) contained in the student's education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without prior consent.

The School discloses educational records without a student's prior written consent under the FERPA exception for disclosure to School Officials with legitimate educational interests. A School Official is a person employed by the School in an administrative, supervisory, and academic or research, or support staff position (including law enforcement unit personnel and health staff); a person serving on the Board of Governors; or a student serving on an official committee, such as disciplinary or grievance committee. A School Official may include a company with whom the Institution is affiliated; a volunteer or contractor outside of SJVC who performs an institutional service of function for which the school would otherwise use its own employees and who is under the direct control of the school with respect to the use and maintenance of PII from education records, such as an attorney, auditor, or collection agent or a student assisting another school official in performing his or her tasks. A School Official has a "legitimate educational interest" if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill a professional responsibility for the School.

4. The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by the School to comply with the requirements of FERPA. The name and address of the Office that administers FERPA is:

Family Compliance Office
U.S. Department of Education
400 Maryland Avenue SW
Washington DC 20202-4605

Directory Information Public Notice: The School designates the following categories of student information as directory information: