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## **Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) Release Form**

### **FERPA Overview**

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) (20 U.S.C. § 1232g; 34 CFR Part 99) is a federal law that establishes the rights of students with regard to certain education records, and ensures students of the rights of privacy and confidentiality with respect to those records. Subject to several exceptions, FERPA prohibits Glendale Community College (the College) from providing student education records to a third party without prior authorization.

For instance, under one of the exceptions, FERPA permits school officials to release directory information at their discretion without your prior authorization. At the College, directory information includes one or more of the following items: student name, email address, major field of study, dates of attendance, degrees, honors and awards received, and most recent previous institution attended. The College will not release your directory information if you provide written notification to the College's Office of Admissions and Records that you do not wish the College to release such information, as outlined in the College's FERPA Policy, Board Policy 5040.

Please visit this link for a comprehensive overview of your rights under FERPA. Board Policy 5040 is available at <https://www.glendale.edu/home/showpublisheddocument/25813/637266225675270000>

### **Release of Education Records**

You may grant the College permission to release information about your education records to a third party (parent, spouse, employer, etc.) by submitting a completed FERPA Release Form.

At the postsecondary level, parents have no inherent rights to inspect their son's or daughter's education records. The right to inspect is limited solely to the student. Records may be released to parents only if one of the following conditions has been met: (1) through the written consent of the student, (2) in compliance with a subpoena or court order.

Therefore, if the above exceptions do not apply, you must sign and submit this form if you wish your parents or guardians, or other third party to have access to your education records. Please note that while this Release Form authorizes the College to release education records to third parties, it does not obligate it to do so.

By signing this form, you verify that you have read and understand the FERPA regulations as presented above and in Board Policy 5040. You also give the College permission to discuss and/or release your educational records with the designated third party.

**Note: This form must be submitted each time you would like to have your record(s) shared with a third party.**

**This FERPA release form must also be accompanied by a copy of your GCC photo identification card or valid CA Driver's license or identification card or passport/visa. Forms which are submitted via postal service *MUST* be notarized and accompanied by a copy of one of the above forms of identification.**

**Third parties requesting a student's record(s) must present their own appropriate identification: GCC photo ID card, valid CA driver's license or DMV identification card, or passport/visa. In addition, third parties must also present a copy of one of the following: student's GCC identification card, valid CA Driver's license or DMV identification card, or passport/visa.**

GCC ID#: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name, First Name MI

**Complete the information below for each individual for who you would like to grant access to your GCC college educational records to a third party, complete the information below and submit the completed form either to the Office of Admissions or the appropriate department (e.g., Math, EOPS, DSPS, Financial Aid, etc.) you wish to have your records released from.**

**I understand that confidential information may be discussed with the individuals listed below and I waive my FERPA rights for the purposes as specified below for this specific request/meeting only. I hereby give Glendale Community College permission to discuss and/or release any and all educational records maintained by Glendale Community College, as specified below:**

For the purpose(s) of:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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Records I wish the College to release:

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With the following individual(s) or third party:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

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Student signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

GCC Staff Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_