

CONFIDENTIALITY OF STUDENT COMMUNICATIONS

The main purpose of confidentiality is to offer students a relationship in which they will be able to deal with what concerns them without fear of disclosure. Therefore, it will be the professional responsibility of school counselors to respect fully the right of privacy of those with whom they enter counseling relationships.

Exceptions to this right of privacy include:

- When there is a clear and present danger to the client or to other persons;
- To consult with other professionally competent persons when this is in the interests of the client;
- When the client verbally or in writing waives this privilege; or
- When the law requires such disclosure.

The school counselor must be provided with adequate physical facilities that guarantee the confidentiality of the counseling relationship.

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