

## **Pioneer Technology Center**

### **Notification of Rights under FERPA**

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) affords adult students and guardians of minor students certain rights with respect to their education records. These rights include:

(1) The right to inspect and review the student's education records within 45 days of Pioneer Technology Center receiving a request for access.

A student should submit to the registrar, head of the academic department, or other appropriate official, a written request that identifies the record(s) the student wishes to inspect. The Pioneer Technology Center 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 Pioneer Technology Center official to whom the request was submitted, that official shall advise the student of the correct official to whom the request should be addressed.

(2) The right to request the amendment of the student's education records that the student believes are inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise in violation of the student's privacy rights under FERPA.

A student who wishes to ask Pioneer Technology Center to amend a record should write the Pioneer Technology Center official responsible for the record, clearly identify the part of the record the student wants changed, and specify why it should be changed.

If Pioneer Technology Center decides not to amend the record as requested, Pioneer Technology Center will notify the student in writing of the decision and the student's right to a hearing regarding the 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 Pioneer Technology Center discloses personally identifiable information from the student's education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent.

Pioneer Technology Center discloses education 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 Pioneer Technology Center in an administrative, supervisory, academic or research role or support staff position (including law enforcement unit personnel and health staff); a person or company with whom Pioneer Technology Center has contracted as its agent to provide a service instead of using Pioneer Technology Center employees or officials (such as an attorney, auditor, or collection agent); a person serving on the Board of Trustees; a student serving on an official committee, such as a disciplinary or grievance committee, or assisting another school official in performing his or her tasks; or other educational institutions in which the student is currently enrolled.

A school official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibilities to Pioneer Technology Center.

Upon request, Pioneer Technology Center also discloses education records without consent to officials of another school in which a student seeks or intends to enroll.

(4) The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by Pioneer Technology Center to comply with the requirements of FERPA. The name and address of the

Office that administers FERPA is:

Family Policy Compliance Office  
U.S. Department of Education  
400 Maryland Avenue, SW  
Washington, DC 20202-5901

Directory information may be released without student notification. Directory information at Pioneer Technology Center includes

- The student's name;
- The names of the student's parents;
- The student's date of birth;
- The student's class designation (i.e., first grade, tenth grade, etc.);
- The student's extracurricular participation;
- The student's achievement awards or honors;
- The student's photograph; and
- The school or school district the student attended before the student enrolled in this school district.