



Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) Notice of Directory Information

The *Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act* (FERPA), a Federal law, requires that Thomas Edison Charter Schools, with certain exceptions, obtain your written consent prior to the disclosure of personally identifiable information from your child's education records. However, Thomas Edison Charter Schools may disclose appropriately designated "directory information" without written consent, unless you have advised Thomas Edison Charter Schools to the contrary. The primary purpose of directory information is to allow Thomas Edison Charter Schools to include information from your child's education records in certain school publications. Examples include:

- a playbill, showing your child's role in a drama production;
- the yearbook;
- honor roll or other recognition lists; and
- graduation programs.

Directory information, which is information that is generally not considered harmful or an invasion of privacy if released, can also be disclosed to outside organizations without a parent's prior written consent. Outside organizations include, but are not limited to, companies that publish yearbooks.

If you do not want Thomas Edison Charter Schools to disclose any or all of the types of information designated below as directory information from your child's education records without your prior written consent, you must notify the school in writing. Thomas Edison Charter Schools have designated the following information as directory information:

- **Student's name**
- **Address**
- **Photograph**
- **Date and place of birth**
- **Dates of attendance**
- **Grade level**
- **Honors, and awards received**
- **The most recent educational agency attended**
- **Student ID number, user ID, or other unique personal identifier used to communicate in electronic systems but only if the identifier cannot be used to gain access to education records except when used in conjunction with one or more factors that authenticate the user's identity, such as a PIN, password, or other factor known or possessed only by the authorized user**
- **A student ID number or other unique personal identifier that is displayed on a student ID badge, but only if the identifier cannot be used to gain access to education records except when used in conjunction with one or more factors that authenticate the user's identity, such as a PIN, password, or other factor known or possessed only by the authorized user.**