

# NORTHERN WESTMORELAND CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: CONFIDENTIAL  
COMMUNICATIONS OF  
STUDENTS

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207. CONFIDENTIAL COMMUNICATIONS OF STUDENTS	
1. Purpose	The Joint Operating Committee recognizes that certain written and oral communications between students and center personnel must be confidential.
2. Authority SC 1850.1	The Joint Operating Committee directs personnel to comply with all federal and state laws and regulations and Joint Operating Committee policy concerning confidential communications of students.
3. Guidelines Title 22 Sec. 12.12	Information received in confidence from a student may be revealed to the students' parent/guardian, building administrator or other appropriate authority by the staff member who received the information when the health, welfare or safety of the student or other persons clearly is in jeopardy.
Title 22 Sec. 12.12 42 P.S. Sec. 5945, 8337	Use of a student's confidential communications to center personnel in legal proceedings is governed by statutes and regulations appropriate to the proceedings.
4. Delegation of Responsibility	In qualifying circumstances, a staff member may reveal confidential information to the building administrator and other appropriate authorities.  In qualifying circumstances, the building administrator may reveal confidential information to a student's parent or legal guardian and other appropriate authorities, including law enforcement personnel.  References:  School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 1850.1  State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 12.12  PA Statutes, Title 42, Judiciary and Judicial Procedures – 42 P.S. Sec. 5945, 8337