

WAC 132T-100-400 Records of disciplinary action. (1) Records of all disciplinary actions will become part of the student's disciplinary record and kept by the office of the SCO. Disciplinary records are education records as defined by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and shall be maintained and disclosed consistent with federal, state, and local laws; chapter 132T-90 WAC; college administrative policies, and the college's educational records retention policies.

(a) All documentation of the student conduct proceedings will be preserved for at least seven years.

(b) In disciplinary actions where no violation(s) of the student code of conduct was found, only a record of the finding of no violation shall be maintained in the student's file or other college repository until:

(i) After the date of the student's graduation or award of a degree or certificate; or

(ii) For one calendar year, whichever is shorter.

(c) All records of expulsion will be kept for 25 years from the date of the decision.

(2) The office of the SCO will keep accurate records of all disciplinary actions taken by that office. Such records will be placed in the student's disciplinary records. A student has a disciplinary record only after notification of a decision is made, and the student is found responsible for a violation of the student code of conduct. A case that is currently under investigation or is classified as documentation only is not a disciplinary record.

(3) The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act provides that an educational institution may notify a student's parent or legal guardian if the student is under the age of 21 and has violated a federal, state, or local law involving the use or possession of alcohol or a controlled substance.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 34.05.250 and 28B.50.140. WSR 22-18-029, § 132T-100-400, filed 8/29/22, effective 9/29/22.]