



Data Sharing Decision Tree

Student data is protected under three federal laws which dictate how and with whom it may be shared: The Federal Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA); the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA); and the Privacy Act.

Depending on the choices your campus makes about administering its emergency aid program, you may find it necessary to share student data between offices. Use this decision tree to ensure that your campus-wide emergency aid collaboration efforts are [compliant with federal student datasharing rules](#). You should also ensure compliance with any applicable state privacy laws.

