

CHAPTER 563

(Senate Bill 429)

AN ACT concerning

**Public Schools - Confidentiality of Student Records - Exception for
Community Colleges**

FOR the purpose of authorizing a custodian to permit inspection of the home address or phone number of a student of a public school by certain persons representing community colleges in the State; and generally relating to the confidentiality of student records.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - State Government

Section 10-616(k)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1995 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - State Government

10-616.

(k) (1) Subject to paragraphs (2) and (3) of this subsection, a custodian shall deny inspection of a school district record about the home address, home phone number, biography, family, physiology, religion, academic achievement, or physical or mental ability of a student.

(2) A custodian shall permit inspection by:

(i) the person in interest; or

(ii) an elected or appointed official who supervises the student.

(3) A custodian may permit inspection of the home address or home phone number of a student of a public school by:

(i) an organization of parents, teachers, students, or former students, or any combination of those groups, of the school;

(ii) an organization or force of the military; [or]

(iii) a person engaged by a school or board of education to confirm a home address or home phone number; OR

(IV) A REPRESENTATIVE OF A COMMUNITY COLLEGE IN THE STATE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1999.