

# Lawrence County Board of Education

Monitoring: <b>Review: Annually, in September</b>	Descriptor Term: <b>School Board Records</b>	Descriptor Code: <b>1.407</b>	Issued Date: <b>03/13/07</b>
		Rescinds:	Issued:

1 The director of schools shall maintain all school system records required by law, regulation and board  
2 policy. Any citizen of Tennessee, state official or other authorized person shall be permitted, upon writ-  
3 ten request, at a reasonable time, to inspect all records maintained by the school district unless other-  
4 wise prohibited by law, regulation or board policy. A person who has the right to inspect a record may  
5 request and receive copies of the documents subject to the payment of reasonable cost.<sup>1,2,3,4</sup> The names  
6 of persons inspecting records and the date of inspection shall be recorded.

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8 No records pertaining to individual students will be released for inspection by the public or any unau-  
9 thorized persons.

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11 The director of schools and/or his designee(s) shall retain and dispose of school district records in ac-  
12 cordance with the following guidelines:<sup>2,4</sup>

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14 1. The director of schools and/or his/her designee(s) will determine if a particular record is of  
15 permanent or temporary value in accordance with regulations promulgated by County Public  
16 Records Commission and the Tennessee Institute for Public Services records manual;<sup>5,6</sup>
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18 2. Temporary value records which have been kept beyond the required time may be recommended  
19 to the Public Records Commission for destruction;<sup>7,8</sup>
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21 3. The records that the State Librarian and Archivist desire to preserve in their facilities will be  
22 transferred to the State Library and Archives. The temporary value records rejected by the State  
23 Library and Archives may be transferred to another institution or destroyed;<sup>7,8,9</sup>
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25 4. Permanent records will be kept in some usable form. If the director of schools desires to destroy  
26 the original permanent record, these records must be reproduced by microfilming or some other  
27 permanent reproduction method. Permission to destroy any original permanent record after mi-  
28 crofilming follows the same procedure noted above for temporary records;<sup>6,8</sup> and
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30 5. The director of schools shall establish procedures to safeguard against the unlawful destruction,  
31 removal or loss of records.<sup>10</sup>

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33 Legal References:

- 34 1. TCA 49-2-301(b)(1)(CC)
- 35 2. TCA 10-7-503
- 36 3. TCA 10-7-506(a)
- 37 4. TCA 49-2-104
- 38 5. TCA 10-7-401
- 39 6. TCA 10-7-406
- 40 7. TCA 10-7-404
- 41 8. TCA 10-7-413
9. TCA 10-7-414
10. TCA 39-16-504

Cross References:

- Financial Reports and Records 2.701  
Personnel Records 5.114  
Student Records 6.600