

## Counseling Disclosure

The counseling services provided within the programs and departments of Student Success Services are designed to identify and address challenges that may impact the student's ability to successfully progress within the Ivy Tech Community setting. These services are not designed to take the place of more intense or comprehensive counseling and psychological services that are provided in the community at large.

Counseling services may include but are not limited to:

- o Educational information
- o Skill development
- o Problem solving
- o Support and assistance
- o Academic accommodations
- o Advocacy
- o Support groups
- o Life management skills
- o Screening questionnaires
- o Educational/personality assessments
- o In-house referrals
- o Community referrals
- o Crisis intervention
- o Cultural sensitivity awareness
- o Academic advising

These counseling services do not include:

- o Psychological testing
- o Psychotherapy
- o Diagnosis or treatment of mental/emotional disorders
- o Ongoing family or relationship counseling

**Confidentiality:** Student records are protected under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). The student records are available only to school officials who have a legitimate educational interest and parents who can prove that their child is legally their dependent as defined by IRS Code 1986.Sec.152. Information shared will only be available to college personnel with a legitimate educational interest. This may include professional staff and counselors in Student Services, academic advisors, and faculty.

These educational records are kept confidential according to FERPA and may not be released or revealed, unless required by law, without the expressed written permission of the student. Limits of confidentiality occur when a counselor or staff member:

- is told or has reason to believe that a student is in imminent danger of harming themselves personally, another person, or a structure.
- is told or has reason to believe that anyone has abused or is going to abuse a child, a disabled person or a dependent/elderly adult.

- is mandated by a court order or lawfully issued subpoena to reveal confidential information regarding a student.

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Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Agree To Terms: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_