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The Board of Education guarantees the privacy provided by law no student with a disability be labeled publicly. Therefore, any reference to a student with a disability brought to the attention of the Board and/or any other potential public reference to a student with a disability will be through the use of a district-developed method of coding that will ensure a student's name or other labeling will not identify the student as a student with a disability. Examples where public labeling of students with disabilities shall be avoided include, but are not limited to, Board meeting agenda information, public address building/classroom signs, public announcements, documents, and/or any other school publication identifying a student with a disability or class/program of students with disabilities.

Special education classes shall be referred to publicly by the name of the teacher. This applies to schedules, class lists, transportation lists, public address announcements, and any other form of communication that has any potential for any exposure other than for the use by appropriately authorized school staff.

Exceptions to the prohibition of public labeling of students with disabilities may be made upon consent of the student's parent(s) or legal guardian(s).

All student records shall be maintained strictly in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:32-7.1 et seq.

Adopted: