



FERPA

**Family Educational Rights and
Privacy Act**



DATA TRANSPARENCY AND STUDENT PRIVACY IN THE DIGITAL AGE



POLICY PROBLEM

What is FERPA?

- Federal Law enacted in 1974
- Protects the privacy of student educational records
- All educational institutions that receive federal funding must comply with FERPA.



POLICY OPTIONS

Alternative 1

- Reintroduce Student Digital Privacy Act- include Higher Education
- Minimize data collected on students
- Students can ask for educational records to be deleted after a period of time

Alternative 2

- Overhaul FERPA
 - Legitimate Educational Interest
- Update Definitions
 - Educational Record
 - School Official
- Change Penalty Regulations



PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE

- Alternative 2
- Incremental Decision
- Close Loopholes
- Protect Personal Identifiable Information



CONCLUSION

- Overhaul FERPA
- Update Definitions
- Change “school official” language
- Penalty Regulations

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"Before I write my name on the board, I'll need to know how you're planning to use that data."

