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Confidential data within the context of education law typically refers to information that is protected and restricted from unauthorized disclosure.

This includes records containing personally identifiable information about students or staff, applicant details, and other sensitive data that is secured to comply with legal and regulatory requirements.

The safeguarding of such information is essential, and its disclosure is strictly controlled and only permissible under specific legal circumstances..

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Relevant keywords: confidential, compliance, data

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(g) A center shall comply with rules to protect the confidentiality of information used or stored at the center in accordance with applicable state and federal law. (i) This section does not authorize the disclosure of student information that may not be disclosed under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act. (j) The cooperating agencies shall execute agreements for the sharing of data for the purpose of facilitating studies or evaluations at education research centers.

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## TX Education Code §3A.51.51.971

Relevant keywords: confidential, identity, individual, compliance program office, report, investigation

Relevant subsections: (c), (e), (f)

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Sec. 51.971(a) "Compliance program" means a process to assess and ensure compliance... Subsection (c) The following are confidential: (1) information that directly or indirectly reveals the identity of an individual who made a report to the compliance program office... or participated in an investigation...; (e) Information is excepted from disclosure... if it is collected or produced: (1) in a compliance program investigation...

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In the compliance program context, information that directly or indirectly reveals the identity of an individual who made a report to the compliance program office of an institution of higher education is confidential. The identity is also protected for participants in a compliance investigation. Additionally, information from a compliance investigation is excepted from disclosure if it would interfere with ongoing investigations or it is managed by a systemwide compliance office reviewing procedures. Confidential information may be shared on request with law enforcement agencies, governmental bodies, or compliance officers.

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