Criminal Record Check of Students in Teaching and School Counseling

A. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to comply with Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and Pennsylvania Department of Education Criminal Record Check Regulations.

B. Scope

This policy applies to all students enrolled in teaching and school counseling preparation programs.

C. Key words and phrases:

None

D. Policy & Procedure(s)

All students enrolled in classroom observations, teaching, and school counseling preparation programs (in-state and out-of-state) must complete and present to the appropriate University and P-12 school representatives their Act 126 Child Abuse Recognition and Reporting Training, Act 34 Criminal Record Check (PA), Act 151 Pennsylvania Child Abuse History Clearance, Act 114 Federal Criminal History Record (FBI Fingerprint Check,) and Act 24 Arrest and Conviction Report.

E. Effective Date

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F. Endorsed By

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G. Last Revision

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H. Last Review

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