

**NUMBER:** 1550

**TITLE:** Release of Educational Records of Dependent Students

**APPROVED:** June 13, 2008

WHEREAS, House Bill 1058 passed during the 2008 General Assembly session, requires adoption of policy and procedures requiring release of educational records of a dependent student; and

WHEREAS, Old Dominion University has a continued commitment to comply with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy ACT (FERPA) 20 U.S.C. §1232 and the regulations promulgated thereunder by release of educational records of a dependent student when accompanied by a written release, a written statement from the student stating that the student is a dependent, or provision of a copy of the prior year's tax return showing the student to be a dependent; and

WHEREAS, Old Dominion University is committed to making the access to these records less burdensome on parents and is actively researching current technology to permit the student to declare the status as a dependent student, immediately making the student's status known to the University faculty and staff with a need for this information; and be it

RESOLVED that in accordance with Virginia Code §23-9.2:3(C) that records be released to a parent of a dependent student in accordance with FERPA; and be it further

RESOLVED that the University continues efforts underway to streamline the access to this information and making the transfer less burdensome to both the dependent student and the parent.