

# SOCIAL SECURITY USAGE

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## Policy 370

It may be necessary for the College to use an employee's or student's social security number for business purposes. The College respects its employees' and students' privacy and will keep all social security numbers confidential to the extent practical. The only employees who have access to social security numbers are employees whose job duties require exposure to social security numbers. Should any document containing a social security number be disposed of, such document should be shredded prior to disposal.

## SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER USAGE FOR IMPROVING INSTRUCTION

In order to improve the instruction offered at Glen Oaks Community College and to meet the requirements of the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Technical Education Act, Section 113 and the Workforce Investment Act of 1998, Section 122, we will be using your Social Security Number in order to compile summary reports. Section 113 of the Carl D. Perkins and Technical Education Act, 20 USC 2323, and Section 122 of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998, 29 USC 2842, requires Glen Oaks Community College and the State of Michigan to assess the effectiveness of vocational and technical education programs aimed at training, placement, and retention of students in employment. Although these laws require that performance reports be compiled based on wage record information, neither law requires students to give their Social Security Numbers (SSN) to the College.

The College plans to use your SSN in order to gain access to your individual wage record and compile required WIA and Perkins Act reports.

These reports will assist the College to improve vocational and technical education programs. By improving programs, the College will be better able to serve both employers and employees. Your wage record is confidentially maintained, based on your SSN, by the State of Michigan. Neither the College nor the State of Michigan will disclose your SSN or wage record data to any person or entity unless legally permitted to do so. Any personally identifying wage record data will be destroyed by the College as soon as all required statistical analyses have been performed, or when the information is no longer needed, whichever date comes first.

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