



NON-REGULATORY GUIDANCE AND RESOURCES ON IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT

The ICCB has received numerous requests for guidance on how to manage visits to your campus from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) or one of its associated agencies (e.g., U.S. Immigrations and Customs Enforcement (ICE) or Customs and Border Protection (CBP)).

While the ICCB is not issuing regulatory guidance on this issue, the following resources may prove useful to you as you consider policies for your institution. ICCB's intent is to provide resources and best practices to support institutional compliance with legal obligations and student protections, and to point institutions to pertinent resources.

Community Colleges are strongly encouraged to work directly with their legal counsel to develop and implement policies related to immigration enforcement actions on campus, including requests for information.

Sharing of Student Records: Community Colleges are subject to the limitations of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), which restricts the sharing of a student's education record, as defined under FERPA. There are limited exceptions as to when a student's education record and/or school student record may be shared with a third-party requestor, including DHS, ICE, CBP, and other law enforcement personnel. Colleges should take care to know that subpoenas requesting records coming from DHS, ICE, or CBP might not fall into one of the delineated exceptions under FERPA. Additionally, colleges should ensure that contractors or any other person or entity that may be authorized to receive all or portions of a student's education record or school student record is aware of the college's student data-sharing policy.

TRUST ACT: Illinois state law generally prohibits law enforcement from participating in actions to enforce civil immigration law ([5 ILCS 805/-Illinois TRUST Act](#)). The Office of the Illinois Attorney General has issued guidance to state and local law enforcement to clarify the restrictions on participation in immigration enforcement. See [Guidance: Illinois Laws Governing Law Enforcement Interactions with Immigrant Communities](#).

Keep Illinois Families Together Act: The Keep Illinois Families Together Act ([5 ILCS 835](#)) prohibits state and local law enforcement agencies and officials in Illinois, including campus police departments, from entering into Section 287(g) agreements with ICE to perform immigration-related functions.

Immigrant Resources:

Office of the Illinois Attorney General: [Know Your Rights \(English\)](#) | [Know Your Rights \(Spanish\)](#) | [Know Your Rights \(Polish\)](#)

Illinois Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights: <https://www.icirr.org/>

Know Your Rights Infographic:

English:

https://www.icirr.org/_files/ugd/9781a6_5cb854f97edc4d4c82aee290f5e4c807.pdf

Spanish:

https://www.icirr.org/_files/ugd/97f293_e4166f0240d84ce5a8d142a8240678de.pdf

Immigrant Legal Resource Center: <https://www.ilrc.org/>

Family Preparedness Plan: <https://www.ilrc.org/resources/family-preparedness-plan>

Red Cards for broad distribution in multiple languages: <https://www.ilrc.org/red-cards-tarjetas-rojas>

Examples of Student Resource Pages Provided by Community Colleges

Elgin Community College: Support for undocumented students

<https://elgin.edu/admissions/apply/undocumented-students/>

McHenry County College: What Undocumented Students Need to Know about Attending MCC

<https://www.mchenry.edu/undocumented/>

Moraine Valley Community College: Undocumented Student Support and Resources

<https://www.morainevalley.edu/student-success/support-services/multicultural-student-affairs/undocumented-student-support-and-resources/>

Oakton College: Undocumented and DACA Students

<https://www.oakton.edu/life-at-oakton/diversity-at-oakton/undocumented-and-daca-student-support.php>

Richland Community College: Undocumented Student Resource Center

<https://www.richland.edu/student-resources/campus-community-resources/undocumented-student-resource-center/>

Sauk Valley Community College: Cross-Cultural Services

<https://www.svcc.edu/students/cross-cultural/index.html>

Examples of Student Resource Pages Provided by Illinois Public Universities

Governors State University: 2024-25 Know Your Rights

https://www.govst.edu/uploadedFiles/Admissions/Student_Landing_Pages/2024-25%20Know%20Your%20Rights.pdf

University of Illinois Chicago: Post-Election Resources For Undocumented Immigrants Across IL

<https://dream.uic.edu/post-election-resources-for-undocumented-immigrants-across-il/>

University of Illinois Springfield: Immigration

<https://www.uis.edu/immigration>

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign: FAQs Related to ICE Agents on University Property

<https://open.illinois.edu/faq-federal-ice-officers-on-university-illinois-property/>

Northeastern Illinois University: Resources

<https://www.neiu.edu/university-life/undocumented-student-resources/resources-and-education>

Northern Illinois University: Undocumented Student Resource Center

<https://www.niu.edu/undocumented/education-and-training/ice.shtml>

K-12 Guidance

Illinois State Board of Education:

<https://www.isbe.net/Documents/Immigration-Enforcement-Guidance.pdf>

Chicago Public Schools: Updated Guidance and Resources for Families Regarding New Presidential Administration

<https://www.cps.edu/media/community-updates/2025/january/presidential-administration/>

Examples from around the Country:

Los Angeles Community College District: “If a federal immigration enforcement official requests access to a student’s information/record, LACCD personnel should immediately refer the federal official and his/her request to the Office of the President/Chancellor. The Office of the President/Chancellor will, in turn, work with LACCD’s General Counsel to make a final determination on whether the request is lawful.”

<https://services.laccd.edu/districtsite/kyr/index.html?>