INSTITUTIONAL POLICY: ST-02

Category: Students
Subject: Privacy Rights of Students
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ST 02-1. Authority

1.1 WV Code §18B-1-6
1.2 WV CSR §133-4

ST 02-2. Policy

2.1 The West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine adopts the policies and procedures of
the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, and recognizes the
following privacy rights of students at WVSOM.

2.2 Right to Privacy – The student is entitled to the same safe-guards of the rights and freedoms
of citizenship as are afforded those outside the academic community, including, but not
limited to, the following:

2.2.1 Confidentiality of communication, to the extent consistent with state law, in
relationships with faculty members, administrators and counselors;

2.2.2 Respect for personality, including freedom from unreasonable and unauthorized
searches of student living quarters;

2.2.3 Confidentiality of academic and disciplinary records; and

2.2.4 Legitimate evaluations made from student records.