EXCERPTS OF GEORGIA CODE § 20-2-989.20 Changing student grades...

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TITLE 20. EDUCATION

CHAPTER 2. ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

ARTICLE 17. TEACHERS AND OTHER SCHOOL PERSONNEL

PART 12. GRADE INTEGRITY

§ 20-2-989.20. No teacher to be required or coerced into changing student grades; ethical violation; change of grade by person other than classroom teacher [emphasis added]

- (a) No classroom teacher shall be required, coerced, intimidated, or disciplined in any manner by the local board of education, superintendent, or any local school administrator to change the grade of a student. This subsection shall not apply when a teacher has failed to comply with grading policies or rules adopted by the local board of education or written procedures established by an individual school that are applicable to the grading process, unless such policy, rule, or procedure would require a student be given a grade different than the actual grade achieved. A violation of this Code section shall constitute an ethics violation reportable to the Professional Standards Commission pursuant to Part 10 of this article.
- (b) Nothing in this Code section shall be construed to prevent a principal or other local school administrator from discussing the grade of a student with a classroom teacher.
- (c) Nothing in this Code section shall be construed to prevent a central office administrator, superintendent, or local school administrator from changing a student's grade. Any grade change made by a person other than the classroom teacher must be clearly indicated in the student's school records and must indicate the person responsible for making such grade change.

HISTORY: Code 1981, § 20-2-989.20, enacted by Ga. L. 2007, p. 253, § 2/SB 9.