Parental Notification Policy

A Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) amendment, adopted in the fall of 1998, permits colleges and universities to inform the family of a student under 21 years of age when their student has been found in violation of university alcohol or other drug policies and/or in the case of a health or safety emergency.

The University of North Alabama is concerned about the use of alcohol among minors and recognizes that parents are important partners in student success. As such, Student Conduct procedures include parental notification once a student under the age of 21 has been found in violation of an alcohol or other drug offense.

A letter of notification is sent by certified mail, generally within three business days of the determination that the student violated University alcohol or other drug policies.