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Section 9-23.8. Refusal to Provide Copies; Fees for Copies of Records.A. Although Suffolk Public Schools cannot deny parents access to their children's education records, Suffolk Public Schools will not provide a parent or eligible student a copy of the student's education record unless failure to do so would effectively prevent the parent or eligible student the right to inspect and review records.

B. The fee for copies will be twenty cents (.20) a copy for each page. The actual cost of copying time and postage will be charged. Suffolk Public Schools shall not charge for search and retrieval of the records. Suffolk Public Schools shall not charge a fee for copying an Individualized Education Program (IEP) or for a copy of the verbatim record of a hearing conducted in accordance with the State Board of Education's Regulations Governing Special Education Programs for Children with Disabilities in Virginia. Fees for copies are charged in accordance with state and federal law and regulations, including the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and FERPA.

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