Rehearsed Responses to Requests for Confidential Information

Possible Request	Possible Responses
"I heard you're working at the school Is	"I'm an employee at the school now, I
that 3 rd grade teacher as mean as everyone	can't talk about my colleagues that way."
says?"	or
	"Employees aren't allowed to talk about
	one another outside of school, sorry."
"Who's the funny looking kid that flaps his	"Student information is confidential to
hands all the time?"	everyone but his parents and teachers."
	or
	"Sorry, I can't talk about kids outside of
	school."
"What's the scoop on Gail I heard her	"Gail's my fellow employee as well as my
husband?"	friend now, I can't discuss her private life."
"What's wrong with Suzanna?"	"Student information is protected by law.
	I'd be breaking the law if I spoke about any
	student outside of school."
"I heard Jason is doing better with that new	"Jason's progress is confidential. It's not
special ed teacher."	okay for me to discuss it."
"Is Tanya in the special reading class?"	"Placement of students is a confidential
	matter. We're not allowed to speak about
	student placements outside of school."