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HB 2711: Student Education Records House Education Committee February 13, 2015

Chair Doherty, members of the committee, for the record I am Ben Tate, Chief Information Officer at the Oregon Department of Education. I am here today to testify on HB 2711 which directs the Department of Education adopt standards for student education records.

Background:

The safety, accuracy, and security of student education records is a critically important mission for the Oregon Department of Education. ODE has created a comprehensive information security and privacy program(http://goo.gl/XmbtoC) that incorporates security protections required by state and federal laws, state policy, and best business practices.

The State Board of Education has extensive administrative rules relating to student education records (see attachment).

Student record information is primarily used while the student is enrolled in school. Information collected includes student name, Secure Student Identifier (SSID), family contact information, health issues that may impact learning, and course transcript information.

Under current federal law and Oregon Administrative Rule, student information may be used for research purposes to evaluate the effectiveness of schools. When research is conducted on student data, names are stripped from the record and only SSID numbers are used.

For example, a recent ODE study of English Learners found that EL students who exited their English as a Second Language program before high school graduated at high rates—even higher than their white counterparts who spoke English as their first language.

Secretary of State administrative rules (OAR 166-400-0060) dictate minimum retention schedules for the different types of student education records. For example, the "Oregon School Record" has a minimum retention of 75 years. Student immunization records must be retained until the student reaches age 21 or graduates, whichever is longer.

Issue: Ensuring the security and privacy of student education records.

Legislation:

HB 2711 directs the State Board of Education to adopt standards for student education records and specifies what must be included in the standards. The standards must include that the record be used only for the educational benefit of the student; prohibit the disclosure of the student personal identifying information to individuals who are not directly responsible for the student's education program; require that student information collected for research or evaluation be done so in accordance with state and federal law; and requires that student personal identifying information be removed from the student education record when the information is no longer needed for the purpose of the student's education program or the student's application for employment or application to a post-secondary institution of education

Concerns:

- Requiring that "personal identifying information collected about a student and retained in the student education record be used only for the *educational* benefit of the student" might be interpreted to disallow information to be used for health purposes, custody arrangements, sports participation, and other aspects of school life.
- Prohibiting the disclosure of student personally identifiable information (PII) to individuals who are not directly responsible for the student's education program might disallow disclosure to school nurses or law enforcement looking for a missing child, thus impacting students health and safety.
- Section 1(1) (a) and (b) appears to prohibit the use of PII for research, but Section 1(d) then expressly allows it for research under certain circumstances.
- Requiring that student PII be removed from the student education record when that information is no longer needed by the student could result in the following issues:
 - It would compromise any longitudinal or historical research.
 - It would also prohibit us from providing data to graduates after they have left K-12. Schools and school districts frequently receive requests from alumni wanting their records for jobs, or post-secondary work. This can occur many years after the student originally graduated.

Suggestions:

- Allow research, but with strict confidentiality requirements.
- Exempt transcripts from being purged.

581-021-0220

Definitions

As used in OAR 581-021-0220 through 581-021-0440, the following definitions apply:

(1) "Attendance" includes, but is not limited to:

(a) Attendance in person or by correspondence; and

(b) The period during which a person is working under a work-study program.

(2) "Directory Information" means those items of personally identifiable information contained in an education record of a student which would not generally be considered harmful or an invasion of privacy if disclosed. Directory information may include, and is not limited to, the student's name, address, telephone listing, electronic mail address, photograph, date and place of birth, major field of study, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, weight and height of members of athletic teams, dates of attendance, degrees and awards received, and the most recent previous educational agency or institution attended. (3) "Disclosure" means to permit access to or the release, transfer, or other communication of education records, or the personally identifiable information contained in those records, to any party, by any means, including oral, written, or electronic means.

(4) "Disciplinary action or proceeding" means the investigation, adjudication, or imposition of sanctions by an educational agency or institution with respect to an infraction or violation of the internal rules of conduct applicable to students of the agency or institution.

(5) "Educational Agency or Institution" means any public or private school, education service district, state institution, private agency or youth care center providing educational services to students birth through age 21, and through Grade 12, that receives federal or state funds either directly or by contract or subcontract with the Department under any program administered by the U.S. Secretary of Education or the Department.

(6) "Education Records":

(a) The term means those records that are directly related to a student and maintained by an educational agency or institution or by a party acting for the agency or institution;

(b) The term does not include:

(A) Records of instructional, supervisory, and administrative personnel and educational personnel ancillary to those persons that are kept in the sole possession of the maker of the record, are used only as a personal memory aid, and are not accessible or revealed to any other person except a temporary substitute for the maker of the record;

(B) Records of the law enforcement unit of an educational agency or institution, subject to the provisions of OAR 581-021-0225.

(C) Records relating to an individual who is employed by an educational agency or institution, that are made and maintained in the normal course of business, that relate exclusively to the individual in that individual's capacity as an employee and that are not available for use for any other purpose. Records relating to an individual in attendance at the agency or institution who is employed as a result of his or her status as a student are education records and not excepted under this subsection;

(D) Records on a student who is 18 years of age or older, or is attending an institution of postsecondary education, that are:

(i) Made or maintained by a physician, psychiatrist, psychologist, or other recognized professional or paraprofessional acting in his or her professional capacity or assisting in a paraprofessional capacity;

(ii) Made, maintained, or used only in connection with treatment of the student; and

(iii) Disclosed only to individuals providing the treatment. For the purpose of this definition, "treatment" does not include remedial educational activities or activities that are part of the program of instruction at the agency or institution.

(E) Records that only contain information relating to activities in which an individual engaged after he or she is no longer a student at that agency or institution;

(F) Medical or nursing records which are made or maintained separately and solely by a licensed health care professional who is not employed by the educational agency or institution, and which are not used for education purposes of planning.

(7) "Eligible Student" means a student who has reached 18 years of age, or a student who is attending only an institution of postsecondary education and is not enrolled in a secondary school.

(8) "Institution of Postsecondary Education" means an institution that provides education to students beyond the secondary school level; "secondary school level" means the educational level (not beyond Grade 12) at which secondary education is provided.

(9) "Parent" means a parent of a student and includes a natural parent, a guardian, an individual authorized in writing to act as a parent in the absence of a parent or a guardian, or a surrogate parent appointed to represent a student with disabilities. The term does not include the state if the child is a ward of the state and the student is eligible for special education services or is suspected of being eligible for special education services or is suspected of being eligible for special education services or is suspected of being eligible for special education services or is suspected of being eligible for special education services or is suspected of being eligible for special education services under state and federal law.

(10) "Party" means an individual, agency, institution, or organization.

(11) "Permanent record" means the educational record maintained by the educational agency or institution which includes:

- (a) Name and address of the educational agency or institution;
- (b) Full legal name of the student;
- (c) Student's birth date and place of birth;
- (d) Name of parents/guardians;
- (e) Date of entry into the school;
- (f) Name of school previously attended;
- (g) Courses of study and marks received;

(h) Data documenting a student's progress toward achievement of state standards and must include a student's Oregon State Assessment results;

(i) Credits earned;

(j) Attendance;

(k) Date of withdrawal from school;

(I) Social security number, subject to subsection (1)(j) of this rule; and

(m) Such additional information as the educational agency or institution may prescribe.

(12) "Personally Identifiable Information" is information as defined in the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and OAR 581-015-2700, this includes but is not limited to:

- (a) The student's name;
- (b) The name of the student's parent or other family member;
- (c) The address of the student or student's family;
- (d) A personal identifier, such as the student's social security number or student number;
- (e) A list of personal characteristics that would make the student's identity easily traceable; and
- (f) Other information that would make the student's identity easily traceable.

(13) "Record" means any information recorded in any way including, but not limited to, handwriting, print, tape, film, microfilm and microfiche.

(14) "Student" means any individual who is or has been in attendance at an educational agency or institution and regarding whom the agency or institution maintains education records.

(15) "Substitute care program" means family foster care, family group home care, parole foster care, family shelter care, adolescent shelter care and professional group care.

[Publications: Publications referenced are available from the agency.]

Stat. Auth.: ORS 326.565 & 34 CFR § 99.3 Stats. Implemented: ORS 326.565 Hist.: EB 31-1993(Temp), f. 10-6-93, cert. ef. 11-6-93; EB 5-1994, f. & cert. ef. 4-29-94; EB 20-1995, f. & cert. ef. 7-25-95; ODE 8-2007, f. & cert. ef. 3-1-07; ODE 14-2012, f. 3-30-12, cert. ef. 4-2-12

581-021-0225

Records of Law Enforcement Units

(1) "Law enforcement unit" means any individual, office, department, division, or other component of an educational agency or institution, such as a unit of commissioned police officers or noncommissioned security guards, that is officially authorized or designated by that agency or institution to:

(a) Enforce any local, state, or federal law, or refer to appropriate authorities a matter for enforcement of any local, state, or federal law against any individual or organization other than the agency or institution itself; or

(b) Maintain the physical security and safety of the agency or institution.

(2) A component of an educational agency or institution does not lose its status as a law enforcement unit if it also performs other, nonlaw enforcement functions for the agency or institution, including investigation of incidents or conduct that constitutes or leads to a disciplinary action or proceedings against the student.

(3) Records of a law enforcement unit means those records, files, documents, and other materials that are:

(a) Created by a law enforcement unit;

(b) Created for a law enforcement purpose; and

(c) Maintained by the law enforcement unit.

(4) Records of a law enforcement unit does not mean:

(a) Records created by a law enforcement unit for a law enforcement purpose that are maintained by a component of the educational agency or institution other than the law enforcement unit; or

(b) Records created and maintained by a a law enforcement unit exclusively for a non-law enforcement purpose, such as a disciplinary action or proceeding conducted by the educational agency or institution.

(5) Nothing in this rule prohibits an educational agency or institution from contacting its law enforcement unit, orally or in writing, for the purpose of asking that unit to investigate a possible violation of, or to enforce, any local, state, or federal law.

(6) Education records, and personally identifiable information contained in education records, do not lose their status as education records and remain subject to the Act, including the disclosure provisions of OAR 581-021-0330, while in the possession of the law enforcement unit.

(7) This rule neither requires nor prohibits the disclosure by an educational agency or institution of its law enforcement unit records.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 326.565 & 34 CFR | 99.8 Stats. Implemented: Hist.: EB 20-1995, f. & cert. ef. 7-25-95

581-021-0230

The Rights of Parents

An educational agency or institution shall give full rights under OAR 581-021-0220 through 581-021-0420 to either parent, unless the agency or institution has been provided with evidence that there is a court order, state statute, or legally binding document relating to such matters as divorce, separation, or custody that specifically revokes these rights.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 326.565 & 34 CFR § 99.4 Stats. Implemented: ORS 326.565 Hist.: EB 31-1993(Temp), f. 10-6-93, cert. ef. 11-6-93; EB 5-1994, f. & cert. ef. 4-29-94

581-021-0240

The Rights of Eligible Students

When a student becomes an eligible student, the rights accorded to, and consent required of, parents under OAR 581-021-0220 through 581-021-0420 transfer from the parents to the student. Nothing prevents educational agencies or institutions from giving students rights in addition to those given to parents.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 326.565 & 34 CFR § 99.5 Stats. Implemented: ORS 326.565 Hist.: EB 31-1993(Temp), f. 10-6-93, cert. ef. 11-6-93; EB 5-1994, f. & cert. ef. 4-29-94

581-021-0250

An Educational Agency or Institution's Policy Regarding Student Education Records

(1) Each educational agency or institution shall adopt a policy regarding how the agency or institution meets the requirements of OARs 581-021-0220 through 581-021-0430. The policy shall include:

(a) A description of how the agency or institution annually informs parents and students of their rights, in accordance with OAR 581-021-0260;

(b) A description of how a parent or eligible student may inspect and review education records according to OAR 581-021-0270;

(c) A statement that personally identifiable information will not be released from an education record without the prior written consent of the parent or eligible student according to OAR 581-021-0330, except under one or more of the conditions described in 581-021-0340;

(d) A statement indicating whether the educational agency or institution has a policy of disclosing personally identifiable information under OAR 581-021-0340(1), and, if so, a specification of the criteria for determining which parties are school officials and what the agency or institution considers to be a legitimate educational interest. With respect to students with disabilities, each educational agency or institution shall maintain, for public inspection, a current listing of the names and positions of those employees within the agency who have access to personally identifiable information;

(e) A statement that a record of disclosures will be maintained as required by OAR 581-021-0400, and that a parent or eligible student may inspect and review that record;

(f) Specification by the educational agency or institution of the types of personally identifiable information the agency or institution has designated as directory information under OAR 581-021-0390;

(g) A statement that the agency or institution permits a parent or eligible student to request correction of the student's education records under OAR 581-021-0300, to obtain a hearing under 581-021-0310(1), and to add a statement to the record under 581-021-0310(3);

(h) A statement that the educational agency or institution, as required by OAR 581-021-0260, annually notifies parents and eligible students of their rights to review and propose amendments to the student's education records;

(i) A statement that the educational agency or institution maintains a permanent record on each student;

(j) A statement that the educational agency or institution will request the social security number of a student and will include the social security number on the permanent student record only if the parent or eligible student complies with the request. The request shall include notification to the parent or eligible student that the provision of the social security number is voluntary and notification of the purposes for which the social security number will be used;

(k) A statement that the educational agency or institution provides for the retention of permanent records in a minimum one-hour fire-safe place in the educational agency or institution, or for keeping duplicate permanent records in a safe depository outside the building;

(I) A statement that the education agency or institution complies with OAR 581-021-0255 on the request for and transfer of student education records; and

(m) A statement that the educational agency or institution has a policy of disclosing personally identifiable information from an education record to an ESD, state regional program, or other educational agency or institution that has requested the records and in which the student seeks or intends to enroll or is enrolled or receives services from. The term "receives services" includes, but is not limited to, an evaluation or re-evaluation for purposes of determining whether a student has a disability.

(2) For purposes of subsection (1)(I) of this rule:

(a) "Private agency" means an agency with which the Department of Education contracts under ORS 343.961; and

(b) "Youth care center" means a center as defined in ORS 420.855.

(3) The educational agency or institution shall state the policy in writing and make a copy of it available on request to a parent or eligible student.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 326.565, 34 CFR | 99.6, 34 CFR 300.616 Stats. Implemented: ORS 326.565 & 326.575 Hist.: EB 31-1993(Temp), f. 10-6-93, cert. ef. 11-6-93; EB 5-1994, f. & cert. ef. 4-29-94; EB 20-1995, f. & cert. ef. 7-25-95; EB 12-1997(Temp), f. & cert. ef. 8-28-97; ODE 4-1998, f. & cert. ef. 2-27-98; ODE 10-1998, f. & cert. ef. 6-23-98; ODE 8-2007, f. & cert. ef. 3-1-07

581-021-0255

Transfer of Student Education Records

(1) Within ten days of a student seeking enrollment in or services from a public or private school including an ESD, or when a student is placed in a state institution other than an institution of postsecondary education, or a private agency or youth care center (hereinafter referred to as the new educational agency), the new educational agency must notify the public or private school, education service district, institution, agency, or youth care center in which the student was formerly enrolled (hereinafter referred to as the former educational agency), and request the student's education records. (2) The former educational agency must transfer all requested student education records to the new educational agency no later than 10 days after receiving the request.

(3) The education records transferred to the new educational agency must include any education records relating to the particular student retained by an education service district.

(4) The educational agency must retain originals of student education records for the time periods and under the conditions described in the record retention rule, OAR 166-400-0060, except that originals shall be transferred to a new education agency upon request.

(5) When original records have been transferred to a new educational agency as required in subsection
(2) of this rule, readable photocopies of the following documents must be retained by the former educational agency or institution for the time periods and under the conditions as prescribed in the record retention rule, OAR 166-400-0060:

(a) The student's permanent record as defined in subsection (11) of OAR 581-021-0220; and

(b) Such special education records as are necessary to document compliance with state and federal audits.

(6) Notwithstanding subsections (1) and (2) of this section, for students who are in substitute care programs:

(a) A school, institution, agency, facility or center shall notify the school, institution, agency, facility or center in which the student was formerly enrolled and shall request the student's education records within five days of the student seeking initial enrollment; and

(b) Any school, institution, agency, facility or center receiving a request for a student's education records shall transfer all student education records relating to the particular student to the requesting school, institution, agency, facility or center no later than five days after the receipt of the request.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 326.565, 34 CFR § 99.6 Stats. Implemented: ORS 326.565 Hist.: ODE 8-2007, f. & cert. ef. 3-1-07; ODE 17-2011, f. 12-15-11, cert. ef. 1-1-12

581-021-0260

An Educational Agency or Institution's Annual Notification

(1) Each educational agency or institution shall annually notify parents of students currently in attendance, and eligible students currently in attendance, at the agency or institution of their rights under OAR 581-021-0220 through 581-021-0440.

(2)The notice must inform parents and eligible students that they have a right to:

(a) Inspect and review the student's education records;

(b) Request the amendment of the student's education records to ensure that they are not inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise in violation of the student's privacy or other rights;

(c) Consent to disclosures of personally identifiable information contained in the student's education records, except to the extent that these rules authorize disclosure without consent;

(d) Pursuant to OAR 581-021-0410, file with the U.S. Department of Education a complaint under 34 CFR 99.64 concerning alleged failures by the agency or institution to comply with the requirements of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act; and

(e) Obtain a copy of the policy adopted under OAR 581-021-0250.

(3) The notice must include all of the following:

(a) The procedure for exercising the right to inspect and review education records.

(b) The procedure for requesting amendment of records under OAR 581-021-0300;

(c) Regarding disclosure of education records to school officials and teachers within the education agency whom the agency has determined to have legitimate educational interest, a specification of the criteria for determining who constitutes a school official and what constitutes a legitimate educational interest;

(4) Each educational agency or institution shall annually notify parents and eligible students of what it considers to be directory information and the conditions for disclosure of such information as provided in OAR 581-021-0390.

(5) Each educational agency or institution shall annually notify parents or eligible students that it forwards education records requested under OAR 581-021-0250(1)(m) and (p) within 10 days of receiving the request.

(6) The notice provided under section (1) of this rule must also indicate the places where copies of the policy adopted under OAR 581-021-0250 are located.

(7) An educational agency or institution may provide this notice by any means that are reasonably likely to inform the parents and eligible students of their rights;

(8) An agency or institution of elementary or secondary education shall effectively notify parents of students who have a primary or home language other than English.

(9) An educational agency or institution shall effectively notify parents or eligible students who have a disability.

[Publications: Publications referenced are available from the agency.]

Stat. Auth.: ORS 326.565 & 34 CFR | 99.7 Stats. Implemented: ORS 326.565 Hist.: EB 31-1993(Temp), f. 10-6-93, cert. ef. 11-6-93; EB 5-1994, f. & cert. ef. 4-29-94; EB 20-1995, f. & cert. ef. 7-25-95; ODE 8-2007, f. & cert. ef. 3-1-07; ODE 26-2008, f. 10-23-08, cert. ef. 10-24-08

581-021-0265

Confidentiality of Student Education Records

(1) Each school district shall keep confidential any record maintained on a child with a disability in conformance with OAR 581-021-0220 through 581-021-0440.

(2) Each school district shall protect the confidentiality of personally identifiable information at collection, storage, discloser, and destruction stages.

(3) One official at each school district shall assume responsibility for ensuring the confidentiality of any personally identifiable information.

(4) All persons collecting or using personally identifiable information must receive training or instruction regarding the State's policies and procedures under OAR 581-015-0055 through 581-015-0606 and 581-021-0220 through 581-021-0440.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 343.041, 343.045, 343.055, 34 CFR Sec 99.7 Stats. Implemented: ORS 343.045, 343.155 Hist.: ODE 8-2007, f. & cert. ef. 3-1-07

581-021-0270

Rights of Inspection and Review of Education Records

(1) Except as limited under FERPA and IDEA, each educational agency or institution shall permit a parent, an eligible student, or a representative of a parent if authorized in writing by the parent, to inspect and review the education records of the student.

(2) The educational agency or institution shall comply with a request for access to records:

(a) Within a reasonable period of time and without unnecessary delay;

(b) For children with disabilities under OAR 581-015-0051, before any meeting regarding an IEP, or any due process hearing, or any resolution session related to a due process hearing; and

(c) In no case more than 45 days after it has received the request.

(d) For children under three years old who receive EI services, in no case more than 10 days after the request has been made.

(3) The educational agency or institution shall respond to the reasonable requests for explanations and interpretations of the records.

(4) If a parent or an eligible student so requests, the educational agency or institution shall give the parent or eligible student a copy of the student's education records pursuant to ORS 192.440, except that no copy of test protocols, test questions and answers, and other documents described in 192.501(4) shall be provided unless authorized by federal law.

(5) The educational agency or institution shall not destroy any education records if there is an outstanding request to inspect and review the records under this rule.

(6) While an education agency or institution is not required to give an eligible student access to treatment records under the definition of "education records" in OAR 581-021-0220(6)(b)(D), the student may, at his or her expense, have those records reviewed by a physician or other appropriate professional of the student's choice.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 192.440, 192.501(4), 326.565 & 34 CFR § 99.10, 34 CFR 303.405(a) Stats. Implemented: ORS 326.565 Hist.: EB 31-1993(Temp), f. 10-6-93, cert. ef. 11-6-93; EB 5-1994, f. & cert. ef. 4-29-94; EB 20-1995, f. & cert. ef. 7-25-95; ODE 8-2007, f. & cert. ef. 3-1-07; ODE 14-2012, f. 3-30-12, cert. ef. 4-2-12

581-021-0280

Fees for Copies of Education Records

(1) Student records are public records under ORS 192.410 through 192.505 but are exempt from disclosure except as authorized by OAR 581-021-0220 through 581-021-0440.

(2) Unless the imposition of a fee effectively prevents a parent or eligible student from exercising the right to inspect and review the student's education records, an educational agency or institution may charge a fee for a copy of an educational record which is made for the parent or eligible student subject to section (3) of this rule.

(3) Notwithstanding ORS 192.440(3), an educational agency or institution may not charge a fee to search for or to retrieve the education records of a student.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 192.410 - ORS 192.505, ORS 326.565 & 34 CFR § 99.11 Stats. Implemented: ORS 326.565 Hist.: EB 31-1993(Temp), f. 10-6-93, cert. ef. 11-6-93; EB 5-1994, f. & cert. ef. 4-29-94

581-021-0290

Limitations on the Right to Inspect and Review Records

If the education records of a student contain information on more than one student, the parent or eligible student may inspect, review, or be informed of only the specific information about that student.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 326.565 & 34 CFR § 99.12 Stats. Implemented: ORS 326.565 Hist.: EB 31-1993(Temp), f. 10-6-93, cert. ef. 11-6-93; EB 5-1994, f. & cert. ef. 4-29-94

581-021-0300

A Parent or Eligible Student's Request for Amendment of a Student's Education Records

(1) If a parent or eligible student believes the education records relating to the student contain information that is inaccurate, misleading, or in violation of the student's rights of privacy or other rights, he or she may ask the educational agency or institution to amend the record.

(2) The education agency or institution shall decide whether to amend the record as requested within a reasonable time after the agency or institution receives the request.

(3) If the educational agency or institution decides not to amend the record as requested, it shall inform the parent or eligible student of its decision and of his or her right to a hearing under OAR 581-021-0310.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 326.565 & 34 CFR § 99.20 Stats. Implemented: ORS 326.565 Hist.: EB 31-1993(Temp), f. 10-6-93, cert. ef. 11-6-93; EB 5-1994, f. & cert. ef. 4-29-94

581-021-0310

Right to a Hearing to Challenge Content

(1) An educational agency or institution shall give a parent or eligible student, on request, an opportunity for a hearing to challenge the content of the student's education records on the grounds that the information contained in the education records is inaccurate, misleading, or in violation of the privacy or other rights of the student.

(2) If, as a result of the hearing, the educational agency or institution decides that the information is inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise in violation of the privacy or other rights of the student, it shall:

(a) Amend the record accordingly; and

(b) Inform the parent or eligible student of the amendment in writing.

(3) If, as a result of the hearing, the educational agency or institution decides that the information in the education record is not inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise in violation of the privacy or other rights of the student, it shall inform the parent or eligible student of the right to place a statement in the record commenting on the contested information in the record or stating why he or she disagrees with the decision of the educational agency or institution, or both.

(4) If an educational agency or institution places a statement in the education records of a student under section (3) of this rule, the agency or institution shall:

(a) Maintain the statement with the contested part of the record for as long as the record is maintained; and

(b) Disclose the statement whenever it discloses the portion of the record to which the statement relates.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 326.565 & 34 CFR § 99.21 Stats. Implemented: ORS 326.565 Hist.: EB 31-1993(Temp), f. 10-6-93, cert. ef. 11-6-93; EB 5-1994, f. & cert. ef. 4-29-94

581-021-0320

Minimum Requirements for the Conduct of a Hearing

The hearing required by OAR 581-021-0310 must meet at a minimum the following requirements:

(1) The educational agency or institution shall hold the hearing within a reasonable time after it has received the request for the hearing from the parent or eligible student.

(2) The educational agency or institution shall give the parent or eligible student notice of the date, time, and place, reasonably in advance of the hearing.

(3) The hearing may be conducted by any individual, including an official of the educational agency or institution, who does not have a direct interest in the outcome of the hearing.

(4) The educational agency or institution shall give the parent or eligible student a full and fair opportunity to present evidence relevant to the issues raised under OAR 581-021-0310. The parent or eligible student may, at their own expense, be assisted or represented by one or more individuals of his or her own choice, including an attorney.

(5) The educational agency or institution shall make its decision in writing within a reasonable period of time after the hearing.

(6) The decision must be based solely on the evidence presented at the hearing, and must include a summary of the evidence and the reasons for the decision.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 326.565 & 34 CFR § 99.22 Stats. Implemented: ORS 326.565 Hist.: EB 31-1993(Temp), f. 10-6-93, cert. ef. 11-6-93; EB 5-

581-021-0330

Prior Consent to Disclose Information

(1) The parent or eligible student shall provide a signed and dated written consent before an educational agency or institution discloses personally identifiable information from the student's education records, except as provided in OAR 581-021-0340.

(2) "Signed and dated written consent" under this part may include a record and signature in electronic form that:

(a) Identifies and authenticates a particular person as the source of the electronic consent; and

(b) Indicates such person's approval of the information contained in the electronic consent.

(3) The written consent must:

- (a) Specify the records that may be disclosed;
- (b) State the purpose of the disclosure; and

(c) Identify the party or class of parties to whom the disclosure may be made.

(3) When a disclosure is made under section (1) of this rule:

(a) If a parent or eligible student so requests, the educational agency or institution shall provide him or her with a copy of the records disclosed; and

(b) If the parent of a student who is not an eligible student so requests, the agency or institution shall provide the student with a copy of the records disclosed.

(4) If a child is enrolled or is going to enroll in a private school that is not located in the child's resident school district, parent consent must be obtained before any personally identifiable information about the child is released between officials of the school district where the private school is located and the resident school district.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 326.565 & 34 CFR | 99.30, 34 CFR 300.622 Stats. Implemented: ORS 326.565 Hist.: EB 31-1993(Temp), f. 10-6-93, cert. ef. 11-6-93; EB 5-1994, f. & cert. ef. 4-29-94; EB 20-1995, f. & cert. ef. 7-25-95; ODE 8-2007, f. & cert. ef. 3-1-07

581-021-0340

Exceptions to Prior Consent

An educational agency or institution may disclose personally identifiable information from an education record of a student without the consent required by OAR 581-021-0330 if the disclosure meets one or more of the following conditions:

(1) The disclosure is to school board members during executive session pursuant to ORS 332.061, or to other school officials and teachers within the educational agency whom the agency or institution has determined to have legitimate educational interests.

(2) The disclosure is to officials of another school, school system, institution of postsecondary education, education service district, state regional program, or other educational agency that has requested the records and in which the student seeks or intends to enroll, or is enrolled in or receives services from the other agency or institution. The term "receives services" includes, but is not limited to, an evaluation or re-evaluation for purposes of determining whether a student has a disability.

(3) The disclosure is, subject to the requirements of OAR 581-021-0370, to authorized representatives of:

- (a) The Comptroller General of the United States;
- (b) The Secretary of the U.S. Department of Education;
- (c) State and local educational authorities; or

(d) The Oregon Secretary of State's Audit Division.

(4) The disclosure is in connection with financial aid for which the student has applied or which the student has received, if the information is necessary for such purposes as to:

- (a) Determine eligibility for the aid;
- (b) Determine the amount of the aid;
- (c) Determine the conditions for the aid; or
- (d) Enforce the terms and conditions of the aid;

(e) As used in this section, "financial aid" means a payment of funds provided to an individual (or a payment in king of tangible or intangible property to the individual) that is conditioned on the individual's attendance at an education agency or institution.

(5)(a) The disclosure is to organizations conducting studies for, or on behalf of, educational agencies or institutions to:

(A) Develop, validate, or administer predictive tests;

- (B) Administer student aid programs; or
- (C) Improve instruction.

(b) The agency or institution may disclose information under this section only if:

(A) The study is conducted in a manner that does not permit personal identification of parents and students by individuals other than representatives of the organization; and

(B) The information is destroyed when no longer needed for the purposes for which the study was conducted.

(c) For the purposes of this section, the term "organization" includes, but is not limited to, federal, state and local agencies, and independent organizations.

(6) The disclosure is to accrediting organizations to carry out their accrediting functions.

(7) The disclosure is to parents of a dependent student, as defined in Section 152 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

(8) The disclosure is to comply with a judicial order or lawfully issued subpoena subject to the requirements of OAR 581-021-0371.

(9) The disclosure is related to a legal action subject to the conditions of OAR 581-021-0372.

(10) The disclosure is in connection with a health or safety emergency, under the conditions described in OAR 581-021-0380.

(11) The disclosure is information the educational agency or institution has designated as "directory information," under the conditions described in OAR 581-021-0390.

(12) The disclosure is to the parent of a student who is not an eligible student or to an eligible student.

(13) The disclosure is to a court and state and local juvenile justice agencies including, but not limited to, law enforcement agencies, juvenile departments and child protective service agencies subject to conditions described in OAR 581-021-0391.

[Publications: Publications referenced are available from the agency.]

Stat. Auth.: ORS 326.565, 336.187, 34 CFR | 99.31 336.187 Stats. Implemented: ORS 326.565 Hist.: EB 31-1993(Temp), f. 10-6-93, cert. ef. 11-6-93; EB 5-1994, f. & cert. ef. 4-29-94; EB 20-1995, f. & cert. ef. 7-25-95; ODE 8-2007, f. & cert. ef. 3-1-07

581-021-0350

Limitations on the Redisclosure of Information

(1) An educational agency or institution may disclose personally identifiable information from an education record only on the condition that the party to whom the information is disclosed will not disclose the information to any other party without the prior consent of the parent or eligible student. The officers, employees, and agents of a party that receives information under this section may use the information, but only for the purposes for which the disclosure was made.

(2) Section (1) of this rule does not prevent an educational agency or institution from disclosing personally identifiable information with the understanding that the party receiving the information may make further disclosures of the information on behalf of the educational agency or institution if:

(a) The disclosures meets the requirements of OAR 581-021-0340; and

(b) The educational agency or institution has complied with the requirements in OAR 581-021-0400(2).

(3) Section (1) of this rule does not apply to the following:

(a) Disclosures to parents of a dependent student under OAR 581-021-0340(7) or to an eligible student;

(b) Disclosures pursuant to court orders, lawfully issued subpoenas, or legal action under OAR 581-021-0340(8) or (9);

(c) Disclosures of directory information under OAR 581-021-0340(11).

(4) When applicable, an educational agency or institution shall inform a party to whom disclosure is made of the requirements of this rule.

(5) If the Family Policy Compliance Office determines that a third party improperly rediscloses personally identifiable information from education records in violation of paragraph 1, the educational agency or institution may not allow that third party access to personally identifiable information from education records for at least five years.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 326.565 & 34 CFR | 99.33 Stats. Implemented: ORS 326.565 Hist.: EB 31-1993(Temp), f. 10-6-93, cert. ef. 11-6-93; EB 5-1994, f. & cert. ef. 4-29-94; ODE 8-2007, f. & cert. ef. 3-1-07

581-021-0360

Conditions for the Disclosure of Information to Other Educational Agencies or Institutions

(1) An educational agency or institution that discloses an education record under OAR 581-021-0340(2) to officials of another school or school system where the student seeks or intends to enroll shall:

(a) Annually notify parents or eligible students that it forwards education records requested under OAR 581-021-0250(1)(m) and (p) within 10 days of receiving the request;

(b) Make a reasonable attempt to notify the parent or eligible student at the last known address of the parent or eligible student, unless:

(A) The disclosure is initiated by the parent or eligible student; or

(B) The annual notification of the agency or institution under 199.6 includes a notice that the agency or institution forwards education records to other agencies or institutions that have requested the records and in which the student seeks or intends to enroll;

(b) Give the parent or eligible student, upon request, a copy of the record that was disclosed; and

(c) Give the parent or eligible student, upon request, an opportunity for a hearing.

(2) An educational agency or institution may disclose an education record of a student in attendance to another educational agency or institution if:

(a) The student is enrolled in or receives services from the other agency or institution; and

(b) The disclosure meets the requirements of section (1) of this rule.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 326.565 & 34 CFR | 99.34 Stats. Implemented: ORS 326.565 Hist.: EB 31-1993(Temp), f. 10-6-93, cert. ef. 11-6-93; EB 5-1994, f. & cert. ef. 4-29-94; EB 20-1995, f. & cert. ef. 7-25-95; ODE 8-2007, f. & cert. ef. 3-1-07

581-021-0370

Conditions for the Disclosure of Information for Federal or State Program Purposes

(1) The officials listed in OAR 581-021-0340(3) shall have access to education records in connection with an audit or evaluation of federal or state supported education programs, or for the enforcement of or compliance with federal or state legal requirements which relate to those programs.

(2) Information that is collected under section (1) of this rule must:

(a) Be protected in a manner that does not permit personal identification of individuals by anyone except the officials referred to in section (1) of this rule; and

(b) Be destroyed when no longer needed for the purposes listed in section (1) of this rule.

(3) Section (2) of this rule does not apply if:

(a) The parent or eligible student has given written consent for the disclosure under OAR 581-021-0330; or

(b) The collection of personally identifiable information is specifically authorized by state or federal law.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 326.565 & 34 CFR § 99.35 Stats. Implemented: ORS 326.565 Hist.: EB 31-1993(Temp), f. 10-6-93, cert. ef. 11-6-93; EB 5-1994, f. & cert. ef. 4-29-94

581-021-0371

Conditions for Disclosure of Information to Comply with Judicial Order or Subpoena

The educational agency or institution may disclose information under this section only if the agency or institution makes a reasonable effort to notify the parent or eligible student of the order or subpoena in advance of compliance, so that the parent or eligible student may seek protective action except as provided below.

(1) Conditions when no notice required:

(2) The educational agency or institution may disclose information under this section without notice to the parent or eligible student if the disclosure is in compliance with:

(a) A federal grand jury subpoena and the court has ordered that the existence or the contents of the subpoena or the information furnished in response to the subpoena not be disclosed; or

(b) Any other subpoena issued for a law enforcement purpose and the court or other issuing agency has ordered that the existence or the contents of the subpoena or the information furnished in response to the subpoena not be disclosed.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 326.565 & 34 CFR | 99.31 Stats. Implemented: ORS 326.56 Hist.: ODE 8-2007, f. & cert. ef. 3-1-07

581-021-0372

Conditions for the Disclosure of Information When Legal Action Initiated

(1) If an educational agency or institution initiates legal action against a parent or student, the educational agency or institution may disclose to the court, without a court order or subpoena, the education records of the student that are relevant for the educational agency or institution to proceed with the legal action as plaintiff.

(2) If a parent or eligible student initiates legal action against an educational agency or institution, the educational agency or the institution may disclose to the court, without a court order or subpoena, the student's education records that are relevant for the educational agency or institution to defend itself.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 326.565 & 34 CFR | 99.31 Stats. Implemented: ORS 326.56 Hist.: ODE 8-2007, f. & cert. ef. 3-1-07

581-021-0380

Conditions for the Disclosure of Information in Health and Safety Emergencies

(1) An educational agency or institution shall disclose personally identifiable information from an education record to law enforcement, child protective services, and health care professionals, and other appropriate parties in connection with a health and safety emergency if knowledge of the information is necessary to protect the health and safety of the student or other individuals.

(2) Nothing in this Act or this part shall prevent an educational agency or institution from:

(a) Including in the education records of a student appropriate information concerning disciplinary action taken against the student for conduct that posed a significant risk to the safety or well-being of that student, other students, or other members of the school community;

(b) Disclosing appropriate information maintained under paragraph (2)(a) of this section to teachers and school officials in other schools who have been determined to have legitimate educational interests in the behavior of the student.

(3) Paragraphs (1) and (2) of this section will be strictly construed.

(4) As used in this rule, a "health or safety emergency" includes, but is not limited to, law enforcement efforts to locate a child who may be a victim of kidnap, abduction, or custodial interference and law enforcement or child protective services efforts to respond to a report of child abuse or neglect pursuant to ORS 418.750 to 418.760.

(3) Sections (1) and (4) of this rule shall be strictly construed.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 326.565, 336.187 & 34 CFR | 99.36 Stats. Implemented: ORS 336.187 & 326.565 Hist.: EB 31-1993(Temp), f. 10-6-93, cert. ef. 11-6-93; EB 5-1994, f. & cert. ef. 4-29-94; ODE 8-2007, f. & cert. ef. 3-1-07

581-021-0390

Conditions for the Disclosure of Directory Information

(1) An educational agency or institution may disclose directory information if it has given annual public notice to parents of students in attendance and eligible students in attendance at the educational agency or institution of:

(a) The types of personally identifiable information that the educational agency or institution has designated as directory information;

(b) A parent or eligible student's right to refuse to let the educational agency or institution designate any or all of those types of information about the student as directory information; and

(c) The period of time within which a parent or eligible student has to notify the educational agency or institution in writing that he or she does not want any or all of those types of information about the student designated as directory information.

(2) An educational agency or institution may disclose directory information about former students without meeting the conditions in section (1) of this rule.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 326.565 & 34 CFR § 99.37 Stats. Implemented: ORS 326.565 Hist.: EB 31-1993(Temp), f. 10-6-93, cert. ef. 11-6-93; EB 5-1994, f. & cert. ef. 4-29-94; EB 20-1995, f. & cert. ef. 7-25-95

581-021-0391

Conditions for the Disclosure of Information to Juvenile Justice Agencies

An educational agency or institution may disclose personally identifiable information to a court and state and local juvenile justice agencies including, but not limited to, law enforcement agencies, juvenile departments and child protective service agencies provided that:

(1) Disclosure relates to the court's or juvenile justice agency's ability to serve the needs of a student prior to the student's adjudication under ORS chapter 419C.

(2) A person to whom personally identifiable information is disclosed under this paragraph shall certify, in writing, that the person will not disclose the information to a third party other than another court or juvenile justice agency or a person or organization providing direct services to the student on behalf of a juvenile justice agency.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 326.565, 336.187 & 34 CFR | 99. Stats. Implemented: ORS 326.56 Hist.: ODE 8-2007, f. & cert. ef. 3-1-07

581-021-0400

Recordkeeping Requirements

(1) An educational agency or institution shall maintain a record of each request for access to and each disclosure of personally identifiable information from the education records of each student:

(a) The agency or institution shall maintain the record with the education records of the student as long as the records are maintained;

(b) For each request or disclosure the record must include:

(A) The parties who have requested or received personally identifiable information from the education records;

(B) The date access was given; and

(C) The legitimate interests the parties had in requesting or obtaining the information.

(2) If an educational agency or institution discloses personally identifiable information from an education record with the understanding authorized under OAR 581-021-0350(2), the record of disclosure required under this section must include:

(a) The names of the additional parties to which the receiving party may disclose the information on behalf of the educational agency or institution; and

(b) The legitimate interests under OAR 581-021-0340 which each of the additional parties has in requesting or obtaining the information.

(3) The following parties may inspect the record relating to each student:

(a) The parent or eligible student;

(b) The school official or his or her assistants who are responsible for the custody of the records;

(c) Those parties authorized in OAR 581-021-0340(1) and (3) for the purposes of auditing the recordkeeping procedures of the educational agency or institution.

(4) Section (1) of this rule does not apply if the request was from or the disclosure was to:

(a) The parent or eligible student;

(b) A school official under OAR 581-021-0340(1);

(c) A party with written consent from the parent or eligible student; or

(d) A party seeking directory information.

(e) A party seeking or receiving the records as directed by a Federal grand jury or other law enforcement subpoena and the issuing court or other issuing agency has ordered that the existence or the contents of the subpoena or the information furnished in response to the subpoena not be disclosed.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 326.565 & 34 CFR | 99.32, 34 CFR 300.614 Stats. Implemented: ORS 326.565 Hist.: EB 31-1993(Temp), f. 10-6-93, cert. ef. 11-6-93; EB 5-1994, f. & cert. ef. 4-29-94; ODE 8-2007, f. & cert. ef. 3-1-07

581-021-0410

Filing a Federal Complaint

(1) A person may file a written complaint with the Family Policy Compliance Office, U.S. Department of Education, regarding an alleged violation under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act. The office's address is: Family Policy Compliance Office, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Ave. SW, Washington, D.C. 20202-5920.

(2) A timely complaint under section (1) of this rule is defined as an allegation of a violation of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act that is submitted to the Family Policy Compliance Office within 180 days of the date of the alleged violation or of the date that the complainant knew or reasonable should have know of the alleged violation.

(3) The Family Policy Compliance Office extends the time limit in section (2) of this rule if the complainant shows that he or she was prevented by circumstances beyond the complainant's control from submitting the matter within the time limit, or for other reasons considered sufficient by the Family Policy Compliance Office.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 326.565 & 34 CFR | 99.63 & 99.64 Stats. Implemented: ORS 326.565 Hist.: EB 31-1993(Temp), f. 10-6-93, cert. ef. 11-6-93; EB 5-1994, f. & cert. ef. 4-29-94; ODE 8-2007, f. & cert. ef. 3-1-07

581-021-0420

Civil Action

Any person claiming to be aggrieved by the reckless disclosure of personally identifiable information from a student's education records, as prohibited by OAR 581-021-0220 through 581-021-0440, may file a civil action in circuit court pursuant to ORS 30.864.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 30.864 & ORS 326.565 Stats. Implemented: ORS 326.565 Hist.: EB 31-1993(Temp), f. 10-6-93, cert. ef. 11-6-93; EB 5-1994, f. & cert. ef. 4-29-94

581-021-0430

The Distribution of Rules Relating to Student Records

(1) The State Board of Education shall distribute the administrative rules regarding student education records to all school districts.

(2) School districts shall make those rules available to the public schools in the district and to the public.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 326.565 Stats. Implemented: ORS 326.565 Hist.: EB 31-1993(Temp), f. 10-6-93, cert. ef. 11-6-93; EB 5-1994, f. & cert. ef. 4-29-94

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Student Education Records

NOTE: Inclusion of a records series in this schedule does not require the series be created. If a record is created electronically, it can be retained in electronic format only if the retention period is 99 years or less.

(1) Alternative School Referral Records Records document referrals sent to alternative schools seeking placement of students whose public school attendance and/or disciplinary record has been unsatisfactory. Referral form indicates acceptance or non-acceptance of student in private alternative program; funding source; signatures of referring school principal and alternative program director; student name, age, date of birth, student number; and parent's name and address. Minimum retention: 3 years after school year in which records were created.

(2) **Student Athletic Activity Records** Records document student eligibility and participation in interscholastic competitive sports and athletic activities, athletic event and team publicity, and athletic events scheduling. Records may include but are not limited to parental consent forms; Oregon School Activities Association eligibility forms and reports; and related documentation and correspondence. Minimum retention: 5 years after school year in which records were created.

(3) **Attendance Records** Records document the attendance of students in school. Records may include but are not limited to teacher or school attendance register; classroom daily attendance sheet; weekly attendance and truancy records; excused and unexcused absence records; tardiness records; notes from parents/guardians; and related documentation. The attendance recorded on the Oregon Student Record is a summary of this information. SEE ALSO Oregon Student Record in this section. Minimum retention: 3 years after school year in which records were created.

(4) Behavioral Records, Major (Class/Group A) Records document major student behavioral infractions which result in the identification of students for suspensions or expulsions. Records may include but are not limited to psychological tests; personality tests; group or individual intelligence tests; individual education programs; physician statements; state or local government agency reports; and related correspondence and documentation. Minimum retention: Until student turns 21.

(5) **Behavioral Records**, Minor (Class/Group B) Records document minor student behavioral infractions which do not result in the identification of a student for suspension, expulsion, or special education services. Records may include but are not limited to minor behavioral referrals; records of conversations; parent notes regarding student behavior; written behavioral agreements; detention records; bus citations; functional behavior assessments; and related correspondence and documentation. Minimum retention: Until end of school year.

(6) **Child Abuse Reports Records** document suspected child abuse reported by school staff or faculty. Records may include but are not limited to notes and observations of the child, record of

contact with the State Office for Services to Children and Families or law enforcement agency, and related documentation. Minimum retention: 3 years after school year in which records were created.

(7) Child Care Facility Residency Records Records document students who live or have lived in childcare facilities, which are licensed to provide care for five or more children. Records may include but are not limited to reports filed semi-annually with the Oregon Department of Education. Minimum retention: 3 years after school year in which records were created.

(8) **Certificate of Advanced Mastery (CAM) Records** Records document student progress to fulfilling the State requirements for awarding of a CAM certification. Records may include but are not limited to planning records, test results, work samples, and the CAM award. Minimum retention: Until student reaches age 21 or graduates, whichever is longer.

(9) **Certificate of Initial Mastery (CIM) Records** Records document student progress to fulfilling the State requirements for awarding of a CIM certification. Records may include but are not limited to planning records, test results, and the CIM award. Minimum retention: Until student reaches age 21 or graduates, whichever is longer.

(10) **Compensatory Education Programs Student Records** Records document the placement and participation of students in compensatory educational programs, which provide a variety of supplemental education services to children. Programs may or may not be all or partially funded from federal sources. Compensatory programs may include but are not limited to Children Living in Poverty, Migratory Children, Neglected and Delinquent Children, Bilingual Education, Native Children, Parent Involvement, and Civil Rights. Records may include but are not limited to background information, grade placement, instructional and cumulative service, student profile forms, placement evaluation forms, withdrawal records and related correspondence and documentation. Minimum retention: (a) Retain records that show compliance with all federal program requirements: 5 years after school year in which records were created (b) Retain all other records: 3 years after school year in which records were created.

(11) **Compulsory Attendance Excuse Records** Records document the formal excuse of a student under sixteen years of age from compulsory school attendance. Records may include but are not limited to names and addresses of student and parent or guardian; reason for request; academic information; recommendations and approval of school district; and related correspondence and documentation. Minimum retention: Until student reaches age 21 or graduates, whichever is longer.

(12) **Educational Programs Student Records** Records document the placement and participation of students in educational programs which provide a variety of education services to children. Programs may or may not be all or partially funded from federal sources. Educational programs may include but are not limited to Talented and Gifted, Alternative Learning, Early Childhood, Professional Technical Education, School-to-Work, Cooperative Work Experience, and Distance Learning. Records may include but are not limited to background information, grade placement, instructional and cumulative service, student profile forms, placement evaluation forms, and related correspondence and documentation. Minimum

retention: (a)Records that show compliance with all federal program requirements: 5 years after school year in which records were created (b) Other records: 3 years after school year in which records were created.

(13) **Grade Records** Records document student progress and grades awarded by teachers, and serve as the basis for the student's official academic record. Records may include test, assignment, paper, and homework scores; and final grades for students. Records may include but are not limited to teacher grade books; grade confirmation reports; grade change records; final grade rosters; and related documentation. SEE ALSO Report Cards in this section. Minimum retention: 6 years after school year in which records were created.

(14) **Grade Reports**, Administrative Records document grades received by students in a variety of reports organized by school, class, special program, or other grouping which are used by staff and faculty. Records may include but are not limited to administrative reports, counselors' reports, teachers' reports, grade point average reports, failure reports, honor roll reports, supplemental grade reports, class lists, and other manual or computer produced reports. Minimum retention: 3 years after school year in which records were created.

(15) **Grievance Records** Records document grievances or complaints brought forward by students against the school, district, or ESD concerning student conduct and violations of student rights and responsibilities. Records may include but are not limited to notices of grievance; written description of the complaint; informal discussion notes; formal hearing notes (including audio tapes); summary of interviews with witnesses; final summary statements; resolution of grievance; appeals documentation; and related documentation and correspondence. Minimum retention: 3 years after resolution.

(16) **Education Counseling Records** Records document the advice, assistance, evaluation, and educational planning provided for individual students by school guidance counselors. Records may include but are not limited to school performance and attitude; educational planning records; post-high school plans and career goals; college and scholarship applications records; letters of recommendation; list of honors and activities; information necessary for referral to social service agencies; correspondence; and related documentation. Minimum retention: 3 years after school year in which records were created.

(17) **High School Dual Program Student Records** Records document student participation in programs between community colleges and high schools which offer professional, technical, and other college courses to high school students for college credit. Records may include but are not limited to program approval records; application forms; course descriptions; examinations; competency evaluations and profiles; transmittal forms; registration forms; and related documentation and correspondence. Minimum retention: 3 years after school year in which records were created.

(18) **Home Schooling Records** Records document the basic educational career of a student being educated in a home school program. Records may include but are not limited to notification form or letter of intent to educate student at home; testing information; test results; census reports to the Oregon Department of Education; non-compliance notices; and related

correspondence and documentation. SEE ALSO Oregon Student Record in this section. Minimum retention: 75 years after school year in which records were created.

(19) **Inter-District Transfer Agreement Records** Records document the application process for allowing a non-resident student to attend school out of district through an inter-district transfer agreement. Records may include but are not limited to procedures, administrative guidelines, inter-district transfer agreements, certificates of residency, and related correspondence and documentation. Minimum retention: 6 years after expiration.

(20) **Intervention Programs Student Records** Records document the assessment of students considered for referral to district-approved supplemental intervention programs and to determine appropriate follow-up actions. Programs may or may not be all or partially funded from federal sources. Programs may include but are not limited to Teen Parent, Alcohol and Drug Prevention, and Violence Prevention and Intervention. Records may include but are not limited to referrals, reports by assessment providers, consent forms, treatment and other reports, program class and support group attendance records, behavioral/discipline records, and related documentation and correspondence. Minimum retention: (a) Retain records that show compliance with all federal program requirements: 5 years after school year in which records were created (b) Retain all other records: 3 years after school year in which records were created.

(21) **Non-Resident Student Records** Records document attendance of non-resident students attending district-financed programs; non-resident dependent children; and other non-resident students for whom the district does not pay tuition. Records are used to report attendance to the Oregon Department of Education and to document reimbursement claims from the Oregon Basic School Support Fund. Records may include but are not limited to attendance reports; basic school support fund reports; and related documentation. Minimum retention: 3 years after school year in which records were created.

(22) **Parent-Teacher Conference Records** Records document a teacher's report to parents or guardians of student's progress prior to end of grading period and may indicate problem areas or areas in which student is excelling. Minimum retention: 3 years after school year in which records were created.

(23) **Parental/Custodial Delegation Records** Records document who has parental or custodial responsibility for a student. Records may include but are not limited to specification of rights or abridgment of rights for non-custodial parents; restraining orders and other court documents; informal documents signed by natural parent(s); and related correspondence and documentation. Minimum retention: Until student reaches age 21 or graduates, whichever is longer.

(24) **Personal/Locker Search Records** Records document searches of a student or student's locker. Records include student name, what was searched, when, what was found, and what report was made. Minimum retention: 3 years after school year in which records were created.

(25) **Psychological Guidance and Counseling Records** Records document student psychological health care responsibilities and activities performed by school or district health professionals or non-health staff. Records that are made or maintained separately and solely by a

licensed health care professional who is not employed by the educational agency or institution, and are not used for education purposes of planning, are excluded from educational record provisions. See Oregon Department of Education student health record policies for further clarification. Minimum retention: Until student turns 21 or 5 years after last action.

(26) **Registration Records** Records document registration or enrollment of students in elementary, middle, and high school. Records may include but are not limited to enrollment applications registration forms completed annually by the parent or guardian for each student at the time of admittance to school. Information contained in the records generally include student name, address, date and place of birth; parent or guardian name and address; student demographic information such as race and language spoken at home; authorization for school to act in behalf of parent or guardian in case of emergency; class scheduling data; student assignments, such as lockers, counselors, and buses; and related correspondence and documentation. Registration information may be used to create student transcripts, attendance records, and to verify or determine residency status. Minimum retention: (a) Retain completed registrations 3 years after school year in which records were created (b) Retain incomplete/withdrawn registration records 3 years after school year in which records were created.

(27) **Report Cards Records** document the periodic report by a school about a student's social, emotional, and physical progress. Information includes but is not limited to full legal name of student; teacher's name; name and address of school; indication of attendance during reporting period; grades; and other related information. This information must be recorded on the Oregon Student Record by the beginning of the next school year. SEE ALSO Grade Records and Oregon Student Record in this section. Minimum retention: (a) If information has been recorded on Oregon Student Record: 6 years after school year in which records were created (b) If information has not been recorded on Oregon Student Record: 75 years.

(28) **Special Education Student Records** Records document students participating in special education programs and early intervention special education services. Records may include speech/hearing, academic, motor, occupational and/or physical therapy, vision/hearing, interdisciplinary team, and classroom observation reports; records relating to student behavior including psychological and social work reports; assessments obtained through other agencies; contact sheets; severity rating scales; test result records; physician's statements; parental consent records; educational program meeting records; request for hearing records; eligibility statements; individualized education plans (IEP); individualized family service plans (IFSP); and related correspondence and documentation. Minimum retention: (a) Records documenting speech pathology and physical therapy services: Until student reaches age 21 or 5 years after last seen, whichever is longer (b) ESD copies, if program at district level: Transfer records to home district after end of student participation (c) Readable photocopies of records necessary to document compliance with State and Federal audits retained by the former educational agency or institution when a student transfers out of district: 5 years after end of school year in which original record was created.

(29) **Student Health Records** Records document student health care responsibilities and activities performed by school or district health professionals or non-health staff. These records

are maintained by the school nurse or another individual designated by the district to maintain confidential health information. Records may include but are not limited to medication administration records; records of nursing assessment and nursing care given in the school setting; School Health Management Plans prepared by the nurse for students with special health needs, medical records from outside health care providers and health care agencies; and psychological diagnostic test reports. Health information provided to Special Education for determining eligibility and IEP activity is maintained in the Special Education record and forwarded upon transfer of the student record. School nurse records are medical records subject to issues of confidentiality and exemption from disclosure per ORS 192.496. Health record information is protected and should be treated as other student records. Records that are made or maintained separately and solely by a licensed health care professional who is not employed by the educational agency or institution, and are not used for education purposes of planning, are excluded from educational record provisions. See Oregon Department of Education student health record policies for further clarification. SEE ALSO Student Health Screening Records and Student Immunization Records in this section. Minimum retention: Until student reaches age 21 or graduates, whichever is longer.

(30) **Student Health Screening Records** Records document the health screening status of students and mandated certifications of health. Required health screening records include vision and hearing screening results; Certificate of Immunization Status; and Tuberculosis (TB) Clearance Certificate (if required by law according to the student's birth country). Records may also include but are not limited to communications related to health and safety and directed to the school from the parent/guardian or health care provider regarding the student's attendance, participation, or activities; communications which are directed to the school by health care providers; and documentation of first aid given, and instructions sent to parents/guardians regarding these screening and first aid events. These records are part of the Student Education Record and are transferred if the student transfers to a new district. See Oregon Department of Education student health record policies for further clarification. SEE ALSO Student Health Records and Student Immunization Records in this section. Minimum retention: Until student reaches age 21 or graduates, whichever is longer.

(31) **Student Immunization Records** Records document the immunization status of an individual student. Records include but are not limited to the Certificate of Immunization Status (CIS), which includes student identification information, vaccine history, and medical and religious exemptions, and records tracking susceptible for those students not yet completely immunized. Records must be retained as part of the Student Health Screening Record and are transferred if the student transfers to a new district. SEE ALSO Student Health Screening Records and Student Health Records in this section, and Immunization Records, Administrative in the Administrative Records section. Minimum retention: (a) Retain certificate of Immunization Status (CIS): Until student reaches age 21 or graduates whichever is longer (b) Retain immunization Status Records – Susceptible (Tracking Cards): Until student attendance ends.

(32) **Oregon Student Record** Records document a core set of information about an individual student (including a home-schooled student) and his/her educational career, birth through age 21. Records include name and address of the educational agency or institution; full legal name of the

student; student's birth date and place of birth; name of parents/guardians; date of entry into the school; name of school previously attended; subjects taken; marks received; credits earned; attendance; date of withdrawal from school; social security number (as provided on a voluntary basis by parent or eligible student); and such additional information as the educational agency or institution may prescribe. Minimum retention: (a) Retain original: 75 years (b) Retain readable photocopy retained by the former educational agency or institution when a student transfers out of district: 1 year.

(33) **Transfer Application Records** Records document the authorization for transfer of students between schools within the district. Records may include but are not limited to applications for transfer which generally contain name and grade of student; reasons for transfer request; name of present school; name of school to which transfer is requested; authorizing signatures; and related correspondence and documentation. Minimum retention: 3 years after school year in which records were created.

(34) **Truancy Records** Records document non-attendance or truancy of students in elementary, middle, or high schools. Records may include but are not limited to notices of non-attendance or truancy; staff reports; investigations; hearing records; suspension notifications; and related correspondence and documentation. Minimum retention: 3 years after school year in which records were created.

(35) **Tutoring Records** Records document tutoring services provided to students. Records may include but are not limited to registration records, tutor training records, tutor personnel records, tutor class records, tutorial hours, and related documentation. Minimum retention: 3 years after school year in which records were created.

(36) **Withdrawal Records** Records document withdrawal from school by students between the ages of sixteen and eighteen by the mutual consent of parent or guardian and the school administration. Records may include but are not limited to withdrawal agreements which generally contain name and address of student and family; reason for request; student agreement not to loiter on school premises; agreement by staff to assist student with educational planning; and related correspondence and documentation. Records may also include withdrawal slips which assess student status at time of withdrawal and may include assessment of fees paid or refunded; status of textbooks, library materials, locks, and other materials used by the student; grades; attendance; and related documentation. Minimum retention: 3 years after school year in which records were created.

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