

1 **Public School Directory Sharing Amendments**

2025 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Cheryl K. Acton

Senate Sponsor:

3 **LONG TITLE**

4 **General Description:**

5 This bill amends the communication requirements of a local education agency.

6 **Highlighted Provisions:**

7 This bill:

- 8 ▶ defines terms; and
 - 9 ▶ requires a local education agency to share directory information with another local
- 10 education agency upon request.

11 **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

12 None

13 **Other Special Clauses:**

14 This bill provides a special effective date.

15 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

16 AMENDS:

17 **53G-7-224**, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2024, Chapter 20

19 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

20 Section 1. Section **53G-7-224** is amended to read:

21 **53G-7-224 . Local education agency communication requirements -- Protection.**

22 (1) As used in this section[~~7~~] :

23 ~~Ĥ~~→ [(a) "Directory information" means a student's name, address, telephone

23a number, email] ←Ĥ

24 ~~Ĥ~~→ [address, and grade level.]

24a (a) "Directory information" means:

24b (i) the name and address of a parent of a student enrolled in an LEA; and

24c (ii) a student's grade level. ←Ĥ

25 (b) [~~"school~~] "School employee" means the same as that term is defined in Section

26 53G-8-510.

27 (2) On or before October 1 of each year, an LEA shall provide the state board with the work
28 email address of each school employee.

29 (3) The state board may email school employees for official communication:

30 (a) if the state board provides 48 hours notice to the local superintendent; and

31 (b) no more than three times per calendar year.

32 (4) The state board:

33 (a) may use an employee's email address provided under Subsection (2) for official
34 communication between the state board and the school employee; and

35 (b) may not disclose an email address provided under Subsection (2) to a third party.

36 (5)(a) Upon request, the state board shall provide the email addresses in Subsection (2)
37 to the president of the Senate and the speaker of the House of Representatives.

38 (b) The president of the Senate and the speaker of the House of Representatives, by
39 mutual agreement, may jointly email school employees for official communication
40 on behalf of the Legislature relating to the teaching profession or education policy in
41 the state:

42 (i) if the president of the Senate and the speaker of the House of Representatives
43 provide 48 hours notice to the local superintendent; and

44 (ii) no more than three times per calendar year.

45 (c) The president of the Senate and the speaker of the House of Representatives may not:

46 (i) use or allow another individual to use a school employee's email address for
47 political activity or for any purpose other than as described in Subsection (5)(b);
48 and

49 (ii) disclose an email address provided under Subsection (2) to another legislator or
50 a third party.

51 (6) An LEA:

52 (a) may request directory information from another LEA for the administration of
53 educational programs or services; and

54 (b) shall share directory information with another LEA if:

54a ↳ (i) ↳ _ ↳ [that] ↳ the LEA makes a request
54a described in

55 Subsection (6)(a) ↳ [.] ; and

55a (ii) a school within that LEA is within a 50 mile radius of the requesting LEA. ↳

56 (7) The provisions of this section do not affect the privacy rights of a student or the parent
57 of a student under:

- 58 (a) Title 53E, Chapter 9, Student Privacy and Data Protection; or
59 (b) the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C. Sec. 1232g.
60 Section 2. **Effective Date.**
61 This bill takes effect on July 1, 2025.