

1 **Parent Access to Learning Materials Pilot Program**

2025 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Tracy J. Miller

Senate Sponsor:

3 **LONG TITLE**

4 **General Description:**

5 This bill creates the Parent Access to Learning Materials Pilot Program.

6 **Highlighted Provisions:**

7 This bill:

- 8 ▶ creates a three-year pilot program for parent access to learning materials;
- 9 ▶ directs the state board to select local education agencies (LEAs) to participate;
- 10 ▶ requires participating LEAs to implement teacher incentives;
- 11 ▶ starts with elementary schools in 2025-26 school year;
- 12 ▶ allows expansion to secondary schools in 2026-27 school year; and
- 13 ▶ requires program reports.

14 **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

15 This bill appropriates \$350,000 in operating and capital budgets for fiscal year 2026, all of
16 which is from the various sources as detailed in this bill.

17 **Other Special Clauses:**

18 This bill provides a special effective date.

19 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

20 AMENDS:

21 **63I-1-253**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2024, Third Special Session, Chapter 5

22 ENACTS:

23 **53F-5-224**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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

26 Section 1. Section **53F-5-224** is enacted to read:

27 **53F-5-224 . Parent Access to Learning Materials Pilot Program.**

28 (1) As used in this section:

29 (a) "LEA" means:

30 (i) a school district; or

- 31 (ii) a charter school.
- 32 (b) "Learning management system" means the digital platform used by a participating
33 LEA to manage and share educational content.
- 34 (c) "Program" means the Parent Access to Learning Materials Pilot Program.
- 35 (2) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the
36 state board shall:
- 37 (a) create an application process for an LEA to participate in the program;
- 38 (b) select between three and five LEAs to participate in the program, including:
- 39 (i) one urban school district;
- 40 (ii) one rural school district; and
- 41 (iii) one charter school;
- 42 (c) begin program implementation in the 2025-26 school year;
- 43 (d) limit initial program participation to elementary schools during the 2025-26 school
44 year;
- 45 (e) permit program expansion to secondary schools within a participating LEA
46 beginning in the 2026-27 school year;
- 47 (f) grant each participating LEA autonomy to design and implement the program in
48 accordance with local needs and resources; and
- 49 (g) establish a formula to distribute program funds to the participating LEAs including
50 an percentage cap for an LEA's administration of the program.
- 51 (3) An LEA that participates in the program shall:
- 52 (a) maintain local control over program implementation;
- 53 (b) determine which schools within the LEA to use to implement the program;
- 54 (c) select one or more of the following teacher incentive methods for implementation of
55 the program:
- 56 (i) an annual stipend;
- 57 (ii) in accordance with Section 53F-7-203, additional paid professional hours; or
- 58 (iii) additional teacher incentive methods the LEA designs;
- 59 (d) establish teacher qualification criteria that includes two or more of the following:
- 60 (i) sending regular emails to parents describing upcoming instruction;
- 61 (ii) posting instructional materials to the LEA's learning management system;
- 62 (iii) providing learning management system access instructions to parents;
- 63 (iv) providing links to current Utah Core Standards to be taught during the school
64 year;

- 65 (v) posting annual instructional topics to the learning management system; or
 66 (vi) implementing additional parent access methods determined by the LEA;
 67 (e) collect baseline data:
 68 (i) regarding teacher usage of parent access methods before implementing the
 69 program; and
 70 (ii) current parent feedback, including usage of any access methods a teacher uses;
 71 (f) submit a report to the Education Interim Committee by May 1, 2026, that includes:
 72 (i) a description of selected parent access methods;
 73 (ii) baseline usage data; and
 74 (iii) implementation plans; and
 75 (g) submit a report to the Education Interim Committee by October 1, 2028, that
 76 includes:
 77 (i) a comparison of baseline and end-of-program usage data;
 78 (ii) parent feedback;
 79 (iii) teacher feedback; and
 80 (iv) program continuation or modification recommendations.
- 81 (4) A participating LEA remains subject to:
 82 (a) Section 53G-4-402 if the LEA is a school district; or
 83 (b) Section 53G-5-404 if the LEA is a charter school.
- 84 Section 2. Section **63I-1-253** is amended to read:
 85 **63I-1-253 . Repeal dates: Titles 53 through 53G.**
- 86 (1) Section 53-1-122, Road Rage Awareness and Prevention Restricted Account, is
 87 repealed July 1, 2028.
- 88 (2) Section 53-2a-105, Emergency Management Administration Council created --
 89 Function -- Composition -- Expenses, is repealed July 1, 2029.
- 90 (3) Section 53-2a-1103, Search and Rescue Advisory Board -- Members -- Compensation,
 91 is repealed July 1, 2027.
- 92 (4) Section 53-2a-1104, General duties of the Search and Rescue Advisory Board, is
 93 repealed July 1, 2027.
- 94 (5) Title 53, Chapter 2a, Part 15, Grid Resilience Committee, is repealed July 1, 2027.
- 95 (6) Section 53-2d-104, State Emergency Medical Services Committee -- Membership --
 96 Expenses, is repealed July 1, 2029.
- 97 (7) Section 53-2d-703, Volunteer Emergency Medical Service Personnel Health Insurance
 98 Program -- Creation -- Administration -- Eligibility -- Benefits -- Rulemaking --

- 99 Advisory board, is repealed July 1, 2027.
- 100 (8) Section 53-5-703, Board -- Membership -- Compensation -- Terms -- Duties, is repealed
101 July 1, 2029.
- 102 (9) Section 53-11-104, Board, is repealed July 1, 2029.
- 103 (10) Section 53-22-104.1, School Security Task Force -- Membership -- Duties -- Per diem
104 -- Report -- Expiration, is repealed December 31, 2025.
- 105 (11) Section 53-22-104.2, The School Security Task Force -- Education Advisory Board, is
106 repealed December 31, 2025.
- 107 (12) Subsection 53B-1-301(1)(j), regarding the Higher Education and Corrections Council,
108 is repealed July 1, 2027.
- 109 (13) Section 53B-7-709, Five-year performance goals, is repealed July 1, 2027.
- 110 (14) Title 53B, Chapter 8a, Part 3, Education Savings Incentive Program, is repealed July 1,
111 2028.
- 112 (15) Title 53B, Chapter 17, Part 11, USTAR Researchers, is repealed July 1, 2028.
- 113 (16) Section 53B-17-1203, SafeUT and School Safety Commission established -- Members,
114 is repealed January 1, 2030.
- 115 (17) Title 53B, Chapter 18, Part 16, USTAR Researchers, is repealed July 1, 2028.
- 116 (18) Title 53B, Chapter 18, Part 17, Food Security Council, is repealed July 1, 2027.
- 117 (19) Title 53B, Chapter 18, Part 18, Electrification of Transportation Infrastructure
118 Research Center, is repealed July 1, 2028.
- 119 (20) Title 53B, Chapter 35, Higher Education and Corrections Council, is repealed July 1,
120 2027.
- 121 (21) Subsection 53C-3-203(4)(b)(vii), regarding the distribution of money from the Land
122 Exchange Distribution Account to the Geological Survey for test wells and other
123 hydrologic studies in the West Desert, is repealed July 1, 2030.
- 124 (22) Subsection 53E-1-201(1)(q), regarding the Higher Education and Corrections Council,
125 is repealed July 1, 2027.
- 126 (23) Subsection 53E-2-304(6), regarding foreclosing a private right of action or waiver of
127 governmental immunity, is repealed July 1, 2027.
- 128 (24) Subsection 53E-3-503(5), regarding coordinating councils for youth in care, is
129 repealed July 1, 2027.
- 130 (25) Subsection 53E-3-503(6), regarding coordinating councils for youth in care, is
131 repealed July 1, 2027.
- 132 (26) Subsection 53E-4-202(8)(b), regarding a standards review committee, is repealed

- 133 January 1, 2028.
- 134 (27) Section 53E-4-203, Standards review committee, is repealed January 1, 2028.
- 135 (28) Title 53E, Chapter 6, Part 5, Utah Professional Practices Advisory Commission, is
136 repealed July 1, 2033.
- 137 (29) Subsection 53E-7-207(7), regarding a private right of action or waiver of governmental
138 immunity, is repealed July 1, 2027.
- 139 (30) Section 53F-2-420, Intensive Services Special Education Pilot Program, is repealed
140 July 1, 2024.
- 141 (31) Section 53F-5-214, Grant for professional learning, is repealed July 1, 2025.
- 142 (32) Section 53F-5-215, Elementary teacher preparation grant, is repealed July 1, 2025.
- 143 (33) Section 53F-5-219, Local Innovations Civics Education Pilot Program, is repealed July
144 1, 2025.
- 145 (34) Section 53F-5-224, Parent Access to Learning Materials Pilot Program, is repealed
146 July 1, 2028.
- 147 [~~34~~] (35) Title 53F, Chapter 10, Part 2, Capital Projects Evaluation Panel, is repealed July
148 1, 2027.
- 149 [~~35~~] (36) Subsection 53G-4-608(2)(b), regarding the Utah Seismic Safety Commission, is
150 repealed January 1, 2025.
- 151 [~~36~~] (37) Subsection 53G-4-608(4)(b), regarding the Utah Seismic Safety Commission, is
152 repealed January 1, 2025.
- 153 [~~37~~] (38) Section 53G-9-212, Drinking water quality in schools, is repealed July 1, 2027.

154 Section 3. **FY 2026 Appropriations.**

155 The following sums of money are appropriated for the fiscal year beginning July 1,
156 2025, and ending June 30, 2026. These are additions to amounts previously appropriated for
157 fiscal year 2026.

158 Subsection 3(a). **Operating and Capital Budgets**

159 Under the terms and conditions of Title 63J, Chapter 1, Budgetary Procedures Act, the
160 Legislature appropriates the following sums of money from the funds or accounts indicated for
161 the use and support of the government of the state of Utah.

162 ITEM 1 To State Board of Education - Contracted Initiatives and Grants

163 From Public Education Economic Stabilization

164 Restricted Account, One-time

350,000

165 Schedule of Programs:

166 Parent Access to Learning Materials

350,000

167 Section 4. **Effective Date.**

168 This bill takes effect July 1, 2025.