

School Reintegration Plan Amendments

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STATE OF UTAH

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LONG TITLE**General Description:**

This bill amends provisions relating to reintegration plans.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- extends the timeline for developing a reintegration plan;
- provides additional time during summer months for developing reintegration plans;
- allows schools flexibility to tailor reintegration plan components based on student need and risk level; and
- makes technical changes.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

53G-8-213, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2025, Chapter 348

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

Section 1. Section **53G-8-213** is amended to read:

53G-8-213 . Reintegration plan for student alleged to have committed violent felony or weapon offense.

(1) As used in this section, "multidisciplinary team" means:

- (a) the local education agency;
- (b) the juvenile court;
- (c) the Division of Juvenile Justice and Youth Services;
- (d) a school safety and security specialist designated under Section 53G-8-701.6;
- (e) a school safety and security director designated under Section 53G-8-701.8;

(f) a school resource officer if applicable; and

(g) any other relevant party that should be involved in a reintegration plan.

(2)(a) If a school district receives a notification from the juvenile court or a law enforcement agency that a student was arrested for, charged with, or adjudicated in the juvenile court for a serious offense, the school shall develop a reintegration plan for the student with a multidisciplinary team, the student, and the student's parent or guardian, within ~~[five]~~ seven school days after the day on which the school receives a notification.

(b) Notwithstanding Subsection (2)(a), if the school receives a notification described in Subsection (2)(a) during summer break, the school shall develop a reintegration plan before the beginning of the following school year or within seven school days after the day on which the school receives the notification, whichever is later.

(3) The school may deny admission to the student until the school completes the reintegration plan under Subsection (2).

(4)(a) The reintegration plan under Subsection (2) shall address:

~~[(a)]~~ (i) a behavioral intervention for the student;

~~[(b)]~~ (ii) a short-term mental health or counseling service for the student;

~~[(c)]~~ (iii) an academic intervention for the student; and

~~[(d)]~~ (iv) if the serious offense was directed at a school employee or another student within the school, notification of the reintegration plan to that school employee or student and the student's parent.

(b) Notwithstanding Subsection (4)(a), the school district may:

(i) add any additional interventions or components to those listed in Subsection (4)(a);
or

(ii) create a unique reintegration plan to meet the individual needs and risk level of a specific student.

(5) A school district may not reintegrate a student into a school where:

(a) a student or staff member has a protective order against the student being reintegrated; or

(b) a student or staff member is the victim of a sexual crime or forcible felony committed by the student being reintegrated.

(6)(a) Notwithstanding Subsection (2), a school district may elect to not ~~[integrate]~~ reintegrate a student into a school if the student has committed, or allegedly committed, a forcible felony.

- 65 (b) If a school district elects to not [~~integrate~~] reintegrate a student under Subsection
66 (6)(a), the school district shall provide alternative education options for the student.
- 67 (7) A reintegration plan under this section is classified as a protected record under Section
68 63G-2-305.
- 69 (8) All other records of disclosures under this section are governed by Title 63G, Chapter 2,
70 Government Records Access and Management Act, and the Family Educational Rights
71 and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C. Sec. 1232g.
- 72 Section 2. **Effective Date.**
- 73 This bill takes effect on May 6, 2026.