

**FAMILY OUTREACH AMENDMENTS**

2024 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill establishes the Family Outreach Program.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ defines terms;
- ▶ allows a school to apply to create a Family Outreach Program (program);
- ▶ establishes a process for submitting an application and receiving LEA governing board approval for a program;
- ▶ provides for the features of the program;
- ▶ provides for oversight of the program by the LEA governing board;
- ▶ allows the LEA governing board to appoint and oversee a family outreach liaison;

and

- ▶ provides for annual evaluation of the performance of a program liaison.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

ENACTS:

**53G-10-701**, Utah Code Annotated 1953



- 28 [53G-10-702](#), Utah Code Annotated 1953
- 29 [53G-10-703](#), Utah Code Annotated 1953
- 30 [53G-10-704](#), Utah Code Annotated 1953
- 31 [53G-10-705](#), Utah Code Annotated 1953



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

34 Section 1. Section **53G-10-701** is enacted to read:

35 **Part 7. Family Outreach Program**

36 **53G-10-701. Definitions.**

37 As used in this section:

38 (1) "Family outreach liaison" means a family outreach liaison appointed in accordance  
39 with Section [53G-10-703](#).

40 (2) "School" means a public elementary or secondary school, including a charter  
41 school.

42 Section 2. Section **53G-10-702** is enacted to read:

43 **53G-10-702. Establishment of family outreach program -- LEA governing board**  
44 **approval -- Renewal of program.**

45 (1) A school may establish a family outreach program for a K-12 school as provided in  
46 this part if the family outreach program is approved by the LEA governing board for the LEA  
47 in which the proposed family outreach program is to be implemented.

48 (2) A school may submit a family outreach program application to the LEA governing  
49 board for the school.

50 (3) A school shall submit a family outreach program application no less than 90 days  
51 before the beginning of student registration for the school year for which the family outreach  
52 program is proposed.

53 (4) (a) An LEA governing board shall approve or deny a family outreach program  
54 application within 60 days after the application is submitted.

55 (b) An LEA governing board may approve a family outreach program application  
56 subject to modifications or additional terms that the LEA governing board determines  
57 appropriate.

58 (5) A family outreach program may be renewed for another school year if:

- 59 (a) the school requests renewal; and
- 60 (b) the LEA governing board approves the renewal.

61 Section 3. Section **53G-10-703** is enacted to read:

62 **53G-10-703. LEA governing board to supervise.**

63 (1) The LEA governing board of a school that has implemented a family outreach  
64 program may appoint a family outreach liaison.

65 (2) The general control, supervision, and direct management of a family outreach  
66 liaison is vested in the LEA governing board for the school in which the program is  
67 implemented.

68 (3) The LEA governing may:

69 (a) make and enforce rules to organize, conduct, and supervise a family outreach  
70 liaison;

71 (b) establish the family outreach liaison duties, and fix the family outreach liaison's  
72 compensation;

73 (c) determine the qualifications of a person employed as a family outreach liaison;

74 (d) determine the basis of apportionment and distribute funds made available for the  
75 employment of a family outreach liaison; and

76 (e) evaluate the family outreach liaison's performance annually.

77 Section 4. Section **53G-10-704** is enacted to read:

78 **53G-10-704. Family outreach liaison responsibilities.**

79 The family outreach liaison shall:

80 (1) communicate to families about:

81 (a) school events;

82 (b) school priorities;

83 (c) school-based resources and community-based resources that are available to  
84 children or families; and

85 (d) opportunities to volunteer in the classroom and outside of the classroom at the  
86 school and school related events; and

87 (2) communicate to families about how to:

88 (a) read and interpret their children's report card and other data generated by the school;

89 (b) navigate school web-based platforms;

90 (c) reach out to teachers and other school staff to advocate for their child; and

91 (d) support the child's learning at home.

92 Section 5. Section **53G-10-705** is enacted to read:

93 **53G-10-705. Provisions applicable to students, staff in a family outreach program.**

94 A family outreach program shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local

95 laws prohibiting discrimination or governing the safety of students and teachers.

96 Section 6. **Effective date.**

97 This bill takes effect on May 1, 2024.