California AB 1584 Compliance Checklist for School District Technology Services Agreements

Technology services agreements entered into, amended, or renewed by a local education agency on or after January 1, 2015 must include specific requirements. These requirements apply to contracts for services that utilize electronic technology, including cloud-based services, for the digital storage, management and retrieval of pupil records, as well as educational software that authorizes a third-party provider to access, store, and use pupil records. All of the following requirements must be included in such contracts:

☐ A statement that pupil records continue to be the property of and under the control of the school district;

☐ A description of the means by which pupils may retain possession and control of their own pupil-generated content, if applicable, including options by which a pupil may transfer pupil-generated content to a personal account;

☐ A prohibition against the third party using any information in the pupil record for any purpose other than those required or specifically permitted by the contract;

☐ A description of the procedures by which a parent, legal guardian, or eligible pupil may review personally identifiable information in the pupil’s records and correct erroneous information;

☐ A description of the actions the third party will take—including the designation and training of responsible individuals—to ensure the security and confidentiality of pupil records;

☐ A description of the procedures for notifying the affected parent, legal guardian, or eligible pupil in the event of an unauthorized disclosure of the pupil’s records;

☐ A certification that a pupil's records shall not be retained or available to the third party upon completion of the terms of the contract and a description of how that certification will be enforced (NOTE: This requirement does not apply to pupil-generated content if the pupil chooses to establish or maintain an account with the third party for the purpose of storing that content, either by retaining possession and control of their own pupil-generated content, or by transferring pupil-generated content to a personal account.);

☐ A description of how the district and the third party will jointly ensure compliance with the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act; and

☐ A prohibition against the third party using personally identifiable information in pupil records to engage in targeted advertising.

References: AB 1584; Cal. Educ. Code § 49073.1; 20 U.S.C. § 1232g
Addendum No. ___ to Technology Services Agreement for California Assembly Bill 1584 Compliance

This Addendum No. ___ is entered into between ____________________ [insert Local Educational Agency name] ("LEA") and ________________ [insert service provider name] ("Service Provider") on ____________________ ("Effective Date").

WHEREAS, the LEA and the Service Provider entered into an agreement for technology services titled ____________________ [insert original contract title] ("Technology Services Agreement") on _______ and any addenda on _______;

WHEREAS, the LEA is a California public entity subject to all state and federal laws governing education, including but not limited to California Assembly Bill 1584 ("AB 1584"), the California Education Code, the Children's Online Privacy and Protection Act ("COPPA"), and the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act ("FERPA");

WHEREAS, AB 1584 requires, in part, that any agreement entered into, renewed or amended after January 1, 2015 between a local education agency and a third-party service provider must include certain terms; and

WHEREAS, the LEA and the Service Provider desire to have the Technology Services Agreement and the services provided comply with AB 1584.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Parties agree as follows:

1. The terms and conditions of the Technology Services Agreement and any addenda are incorporated herein by reference.

2. The term of this Addendum shall expire on the termination date stated in the Technology Services Agreement or in any addenda to such Technology Services Agreement, whichever controls.

3. Pupil records\(^1\) obtained by Service Provider from LEA continue to be the property of and under the control of the LEA.

\(^1\) Pupil records include any information directly related to a pupil that is maintained by the LEA or acquired directly from the pupil through the use of instructional software or applications assigned to the pupil by a teacher or other LEA employees. Pupil records does not include de-identified information (information that cannot be used to identify an individual pupil) used by the third party (1) to improve educational products for adaptive learning purposes and for customized pupil learning; (2) to demonstrate the effectiveness of the operator's products in the marketing of those products; or (3) for the development and improvement of educational sites, services, or applications.
4. The procedures by which pupils may retain possession and control of their own pupil-generated content are outlined as follows: [INSERT PROCEDURE]

5. The options by which a pupil may transfer pupil-generated content to a personal account include: [INSERT PROCEDURE]

6. Parents, legal guardians, or eligible pupils may review personally identifiable information in the pupil’s records and correct erroneous information by the following protocol: [INSERT PROCEDURE]

7. Service Provider shall take actions to ensure the security and confidentiality of pupil records, including but not limited to designating and training responsible individuals on ensuring the security and confidentiality of pupil records, by the following measures: [INSERT PROCEDURE]

8. In the event of an unauthorized disclosure of a pupil’s records, Service Provider shall report to an affected parent, legal guardian, or eligible pupil pursuant to the following procedure: [INSERT PROCEDURE]

9. Service Provider shall not use any information in a pupil record for any purpose other than those required or specifically permitted by the Technology Services Agreement.

10. Service Provider certifies that a pupil’s records shall not be retained or available to the Service Provider upon completion of the terms of the Technology Services Agreement, except for a case where a pupil chooses to establish or maintain an account with Service Provider for the purpose of storing pupil-generated content, either by retaining possession and control of their own pupil-generated content, or by transferring pupil-generated content to a personal account. Such certification will be enforced through the following procedure: [INSERT PROCEDURE]

11. LEA agrees to work with Service Provider to ensure compliance with FERPA and the Parties will ensure compliance through the following procedure: [INSERT PROCEDURE]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, parties execute this Agreement on the dates set forth below.

Date: ____________________________  [Insert LEA Name]

Date: ____________________________  [Insert Service Provider Name]

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² Procedure provided will likely depend on the capability of the technology services vender. The information will likely have to be provided by vendor to demonstrate product compliance.