

Background: Effective October 1, 2016, CT law (Public Act 16-189) includes specific data privacy requirements for use of school-provided student data by any organization entering into a contractual relationship with CT public schools. This policy is intended to address any questions regarding CIC collection and use of student data, in compliance with this state law.

1. Student Data includes:

- Non aggregated student records or information directly identifiable to a student or students, in any format, provided to CIC by a school district or its designee (teacher, administrator, school board or employee), that is not publicly available
- Student Generated Content (any materials created by a student) provided by or through the school

2. CIC agrees to use Student Data solely for the purposes related to the implementation of the Connecticut Invention Convention program, including registration for the regional, state and national conventions.

3. Student Data will not be used for targeted marketing and/or advertising.

4. Student Data will not be provided to any third party organization except in aggregated form where no individual student is identifiable, for the purpose of program evaluation.

5. CIC shall maintain Student Data in one or more formats (electronic and/or paper) in a manner that meets acceptable standards of privacy and security. CIC and its technology vendors shall take all necessary actions to ensure security and confidentiality of student data.

6. A parent or guardian may review the student's personally identifiable information in the student data and request corrections to any erroneous information.

7. In the event that a data breach occurs that results in an unauthorized release of student data CIC shall notify any affected school district in writing via email to the Director of Technology and Superintendent within 72 hours from the time CIC detects or is notified of the breach.

8. This policy applies to data provided by schools, school districts and school boards per PA 16-189.

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