

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
State of Oklahoma

SPEAKER:

CHAIR:

I move to amend HB2696 \_\_\_\_\_  
Of the printed Bill  
Page \_\_\_\_\_ Section \_\_\_\_\_ Lines \_\_\_\_\_  
Of the Engrossed Bill

By deleting the content of the entire measure, and by inserting in lieu thereof the following language:

**AMEND TITLE TO CONFORM TO AMENDMENTS**

Amendment submitted by: Ross Ford \_\_\_\_\_

Adopted: \_\_\_\_\_

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Reading Clerk

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 60th Legislature (2025)

3 PROPOSED COMMITTEE  
4 SUBSTITUTE  
5 FOR  
6 HOUSE BILL NO. 2696

By: Ford

7 PROPOSED COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

8 An Act relating to the Oklahoma Open Records Act;  
9 amending 51 O.S. 2021, Section 24A.16, as amended by  
10 Section 1, Chapter 86, O.S.L. 2024 (51 O.S. Supp.  
11 2024, Section 24A.16), which relates to educational  
12 records; requiring schools to release certain records  
13 to parents or adult students; requiring records to be  
14 provided in a timely manner; mandating that certain  
15 record requests be provided for free; specifying that  
16 certain information cannot be omitted; providing  
17 examples of certain records; and providing an  
18 effective date.

19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

20 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 51 O.S. 2021, Section 24A.16, as  
21 amended by Section 1, Chapter 86, O.S.L. 2024 (51 O.S. Supp. 2024,  
22 Section 24A.16), is amended to read as follows:

23 Section 24A.16. A. Except as set forth in subsection B of this  
24 section, public educational institutions and their employees may  
keep confidential:

- 25 1. Individual student records;
- 26 2. Teacher lesson plans, tests and other teaching material;

1 3. Personal communications concerning individual students; and

2 4. Any contract for use of a student athlete's name, image, or  
3 likeness disclosed to a postsecondary institution pursuant to the  
4 Student Athlete Name, Image and Likeness Rights Act.

5 B. If kept, statistical information not identified with a  
6 particular student and directory information shall be open for  
7 inspection and copying. Except as provided in subsection C of this  
8 section, each educational institution may choose to designate  
9 specific information which shall be classified as directory  
10 information for students attending the educational institution. In  
11 accordance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act,  
12 Section 1232g of Title 20 of the United States Code and Part 99 of  
13 Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations, "directory information"  
14 includes a student's name, address, telephone listing, date and  
15 place of birth, major field of study, participation in officially  
16 recognized activities and sports, weight and height of members of  
17 athletic teams, dates of attendance, degrees and awards received,  
18 and the most recent previous educational institution attended by the  
19 student. Any educational agency or institution making public  
20 directory information shall give public notice of the categories of  
21 information which it has designated as directory information with  
22 respect to each student attending the institution or agency and  
23 shall allow a reasonable period of time after the notice has been  
24 given for a parent to inform the institution or agency that any or

1 all of the information designated should not be released without  
2 prior consent of the parent or guardian or the student if the  
3 student is eighteen (18) years of age or older.

4 C. All educational agencies or institutions which are not the  
5 primary custodians of student directory information of students  
6 attending the educational institution, but which are allowed to  
7 access the information for educational purposes, shall be prohibited  
8 from releasing or selling any or all student directory information  
9 unless disclosure is authorized by the Family Educational Rights and  
10 Privacy Act, Section 1232g of Title 20 of the United States Code and  
11 Part 99 of Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations, or Section  
12 3-168 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

13 D. A public school district may release individual student  
14 records for the current or previous school year to a school district  
15 at which the student was previously enrolled for purposes of  
16 evaluating educational programs and school effectiveness.

17 E. Notwithstanding any provisions of this section, public  
18 educational institutions and their employees shall release all  
19 requested records related to a student to the student's parent or  
20 parents, or to the student themselves if he or she is eighteen (18)  
21 years of age or older, if the records are requested by the parent or  
22 the adult student. Such records shall be provided in a timely  
23 manner in accordance with the Oklahoma Open Records Act. An  
24 educational institution shall provide such records free of charge,

1 and shall not redact or otherwise omit any information from the  
2 record, unless including such information would violate the law.  
3 Records related to a student include, but are not limited to,  
4 personal communications concerning the student, any school staff or  
5 teacher correspondence, individual student records, meeting notes,  
6 student athlete contracts, proposed changes to an Individualized  
7 Education Program or other program for students with disabilities,  
8 student assessments, progress reports, and internal complaints and  
9 recommendations regarding the student.

10 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.

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