Legacy Preparatory Academy’s Data Governance Plan

1 PURPOSE

Data governance is an organizational approach to data and information management that is formalized as a set of policies and procedures that encompass the full life cycle of data; from acquisition, to use, to disposal. The Utah Board of Education Legacy Preparatory Academy takes seriously its moral and legal responsibility to protect student privacy and ensure data security. Utah’s Student Data Protection Act (SDPA), U.C.A §53A-1-1401 requires that Legacy Preparatory Academy adopt a Data Governance Plan.

2 SCOPE AND APPLICABILITY

This policy is applicable to all employees, temporary employees, and contractors of the Agency. The policy must be used to assess agreements made to disclose data to third-parties. This policy must also be used to assess the risk of conducting business. In accordance with Agency policy and procedures, this policy will be reviewed and adjusted on an annual basis or more frequently, as needed. This policy is designed to ensure only authorized disclosure of confidential information. The following 8 subsections provide data governance policies and processes for Legacy Preparatory Academy:

1. Data Advisory Groups
2. Non-Disclosure Assurances for Employees
3. Data Security and Privacy Training for Employees
4. Data Disclosure
5. Data Breach
6. Record Retention and Expungement
7. Data Quality
8. Transparency

Furthermore, this Legacy Preparatory Academy Data Governance Plan works in conjunction with the Agency Information Security Policy, which:
• Designates Legacy Preparatory Academy as the steward for all confidential information maintained within Legacy Preparatory Academy.
• Designates Data Stewards access for all confidential information.
• Requires Data Stewards to maintain a record of all confidential information that they are responsible for.
• Requires Data Stewards to manage confidential information according to this policy and all other applicable policies, standards and plans.
• Complies with all legal, regulatory, and contractual obligations regarding privacy of Agency data. Where such requirements exceed the specific stipulation of this policy, the legal, regulatory, or contractual obligation shall take precedence.
• Provides the authority to design, implement, and maintain privacy procedures meeting Legacy Preparatory Academy standards concerning the privacy of data in motion, at rest and processed by related information systems.
• Ensures that all Legacy Preparatory Academy board members, employees, contractors, and volunteers comply with the policy and undergo annual privacy training.
• Provides policies and process for

  • Systems administration,
  • Network security,
  • Application security,
  • Endpoint, server, and device Security
  • Identity, authentication, and access management,
  • Data protection and cryptography
  • Monitoring, vulnerability, and patch management
  • High availability, disaster recovery, and physical protection
  • Incident Responses
  • Acquisition and asset management, and
  • Policy, audit, e-discovery, and training.

3 DATA ADVISORY GROUPS

3.1 STRUCTURE
Legacy Preparatory Academy has a three-tiered data governance structure to ensure that data is protected at all levels of Utah’s educational system.

3.2 GROUP MEMBERSHIP
Membership in the groups require board approval. Group membership is for two years. If individual members exit the group prior to fulfilling their two-year appointment, the board may authorize Legacy Preparatory Academy’s Chief Officer to appoint a replacement member.
### 3.3 Individual and Group Responsibilities

The following tables outlines individual Legacy Preparatory Academy staff and advisory group responsibilities.

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| **LEA Student Data Manager** | 1. authorize and manage the sharing, outside of the education entity, of personally identifiable student data from a cumulative record for the education entity  
2. act as the primary local point of contact for the state student data officer.  
3. A student data manager may share personally identifiable student data that are:  
   a. of a student with the student and the student's parent  
   b. required by state or federal law  
   c. in an aggregate form with appropriate data redaction techniques applied  
   d. for a school official  
   e. for an authorized caseworker or other representative of the Department of Human Services or the Juvenile Court  
   f. in response to a subpoena issued by a court.  
   g. directory information  
   h. submitted data requests from external researchers or evaluators,  
4. A student data manager may not share personally identifiable student data for the purpose of external research or evaluation.  
5. Create and maintain a list of all LEA staff that have access to personally identifiable student data.  
6. Ensure annual LEA level training on data privacy to all staff members, including volunteers. Document all staff names, roles, and training dates, times, locations, and agendas. |
| **IT Systems Security Manager** | 1. Acts as the primary point of contact for state student data security administration in assisting the board to administer this part;  
2. ensures compliance with security systems laws throughout the public education system, including:  
   a. providing training and support to applicable Legacy Preparatory Academy employees; and  
   b. producing resource materials, model plans, and model forms for LEA systems security;  
3. investigates complaints of alleged violations of systems breaches;  
4. provides an annual report to the board on Legacy Preparatory Academy’s systems security needs |
| **Educators**               | 1. Trained to keep all student data secure and to report any system breaches immediately |
4 EMPLOYEE NON-DISCLOSURE ASSURANCES

Employee non-disclosure assurances are intended to minimize the risk of human error and misuse of information.

4.1 SCOPE

All Legacy Preparatory Academy board members, employees, contractors and volunteers must sign and obey the Legacy Preparatory Academy Employee Non-Disclosure Agreement (See Appendix A), which describes the permissible uses of state technology and information.

4.2 NON-COMPLIANCE

Non-compliance with the agreements shall result in consequences up to and including removal of access to Legacy Preparatory Academy network; if this access is required for employment, employees and contractors may be subject to dismissal.

4.3 NON-DISCLOSURE ASSURANCES

All student data utilized by Legacy Preparatory Academy is protected as defined by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and Utah statute. This policy outlines the way Legacy Preparatory Academy staff is to utilize data and protect personally identifiable and confidential information. A signed agreement form is required from all Legacy Preparatory Academy staff to verify agreement to adhere to/abide by these practices and will be maintained in Legacy Preparatory Academy Human Resources. All Legacy Preparatory Academy employees (including contract or temporary) will:

2. Complete a Security and Privacy Training for Researchers and Evaluators, if your position is a research analyst or if requested by the Chief Privacy Officer.
3. Consult with Legacy Preparatory Academy internal data owners when creating or disseminating reports containing data.
4. Use password-protected state-authorized computers when accessing any student-level or staff-level records.
5. NOT share individual passwords for personal computers or data systems with anyone.

6. Log out of any data system/portal and close the browser after each use.

7. Store sensitive data on appropriate-secured location. Unsecured access and flash drives, DVD, CD-ROM or other removable media, or personally owned computers or devices are not deemed appropriate for storage of sensitive, confidential or student data.

8. Keep printed reports with personally identifiable information in a locked location while unattended, and use the secure document destruction service provided at Legacy Preparatory Academy when disposing of such records.

9. NOT share personally identifying data during public presentations, webinars, etc. If users need to demonstrate child/staff level data, demo records should be used for such presentations.

10. Redact any personally identifiable information when sharing sample reports with general audiences, in accordance with guidance provided by the student data manager, found in Appendix B (Protecting PII in Public Reporting).

11. Take steps to avoid disclosure of personally identifiable information in reports, such as aggregating, data suppression, rounding, recoding, blurring, perturbation, etc.

12. Delete files containing sensitive data after using them on computers, or move them to secured servers or personal folders accessible only by authorized parties.

13. NOT use email to send screenshots, text, or attachments that contain personally identifiable or other sensitive information. If users receive an email containing such information, they will delete the screenshots/text when forwarding or replying to these messages. If there is any doubt about the sensitivity of the data the Student Data Privacy Manager should be consulted.

14. Use secure methods when sharing or transmitting sensitive data. The approved method is Legacy Preparatory Academy’s Secure File Transfer Protocol (SFTP) website. Also, sharing within secured server folders is appropriate for Legacy Preparatory Academy internal file transfer.

15. NOT transmit child/staff-level data externally unless expressly authorized in writing by the data owner and then only transmit data via approved methods such as described in item ten.

16. Limit use of individual data to the purposes which have been authorized within the scope of job responsibilities.

### 4.4 DATA SECURITY AND PRIVACY TRAINING

#### 4.4.1 Purpose
Legacy Preparatory Academy will provide a range of training opportunities for all Legacy Preparatory Academy staff, including volunteers, contractors and temporary employees with access to student educational data or confidential educator records in order to minimize the risk of human error and misuse of information.
4.4.2 Scope
All Legacy Preparatory Academy board members, employees, and contracted partners.

4.4.3 Compliance
New employees that do not comply may not be able to use Legacy Preparatory Academy networks or technology.

4.4.4 Policy
1. Within the first week of employment, all Legacy Preparatory Academy board members, employees, and contracted partners must sign and follow the Legacy Preparatory Academy Employee Acceptable Use Policy, which describes the permissible uses of state technology and information.

2. New employees that do not comply may not be able to use Legacy Preparatory Academy networks or technology. Within the first week of employment, all Legacy Preparatory Academy board members, employees, and contracted partners also must sign and obey the Legacy Preparatory Academy Employee Non-Disclosure Agreement, which describes appropriate uses and the safeguarding of student and educator data.

3. All current Legacy Preparatory Academy board members, employees, and contracted partners are required to participate in an annual Security and Privacy Fundamentals Training Curriculum within 60 days of the adoption of this rule.

4. Legacy Preparatory Academy requires a targeted Security and Privacy Training for Data Stewards and IT staff for other specific groups within the agency that collect, store, or disclose data. The Chief Privacy Officer will identify these groups. Data and Statistics Coordinator will determine the annual training topics for these targeted groups based on Legacy Preparatory Academy training needs.

5. Participation in the training as well as a signed copy of the Employee Non-Disclosure Agreement will be annually monitored by supervisors. Supervisors and the board secretary will annually report all Legacy Preparatory Academy board members, employees, and contracted partners who do not have these requirements completed to the IT Security Manager.

5 DATA DISCLOSURE

5.1 PURPOSE
Providing data to persons and entities outside of the Legacy Preparatory Academy increases transparency, promotes education in Utah, and increases knowledge about Utah public education. This policy establishes the protocols and procedures for sharing data maintained by Legacy Preparatory Academy. It is intended to be consistent with the disclosure provisions of the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), 20 U.S.C. 1232g, 34 CFR Part 99 and Utah’s Student Data Protection Act (SDPA), U.C.A §53A-1-1401.
5.2 Policy for Disclosure of Personally Identifiable Information (PII)

5.2.1 Student or Student’s Parent/Guardian Access
Parents are advised that the records maintained by Legacy Preparatory Academy are provided to Legacy Preparatory Academy by the school district in which their student is/was enrolled, and access to their student’s record can be obtained from the student’s school district. In accordance with FERPA regulations 20 U.S.C. § 1232g (a)(1) (A) (B) (C) and (D), LEAs will provide parents with access to their child’s education records, or an eligible student access to his or her own education records (excluding information on other students, the financial records of parents, and confidential letters of recommendation if the student has waived the right to access), within 45 days of receiving an official request. LEAs and Legacy Preparatory Academy is not required to provide data that it does not maintain, nor is Legacy Preparatory Academy required to create education records in response to an eligible student’s request.

5.2.2 Third Party Vendor
Third party vendors may have access to students’ personally identifiable information if the vendor is designated as a “school official” as defined in FERPA, 34 CFR §§ 99.31(a)(1) and 99.7(a)(3)(iii). A school official may include parties such as: professors, instructors, administrators, health staff, counselors, attorneys, clerical staff, trustees, members of committees and disciplinary boards, and a contractor, consultant, volunteer or other party to whom the school has outsourced institutional services or functions.

All third-party vendors contracting with Legacy Preparatory Academy must be compliant with Utah’s Student Data Protection Act (SDPA), U.C.A §53A-1-1401. Vendors determined not to be compliant may not be allowed to enter into future contracts with Legacy Preparatory Academy without third-party verification that they are compliant with federal and state law, and board rule.

5.2.3 Internal Partner Requests
Internal partners to Legacy Preparatory Academy include LEA and school officials that are determined to have a legitimate educational interest in the information. All requests shall be documented in Legacy Preparatory Academy data request ticketing system.

5.2.4 Governmental Agency Requests
Legacy Preparatory Academy may not disclose personally identifiable information of students to external persons or organizations to conduct research or evaluation that is not directly related to a state or federal program reporting requirement, audit, or evaluation. The requesting governmental agency must provide evidence the federal or state requirements to share data in order to satisfy FERPA disclosure exceptions to data without consent in the case of a federal or state

   a) reporting requirement
   b) audit
   c) evaluation

The Coordinator of Data and Statistics will ensure the proper data disclosure avoidance are included if necessary. An Interagency Agreement must be reviewed by legal staff and must include “FERPA-Student Level Data Protection Standard Terms and Conditions or Required Attachment Language.”
5.3 Policy for External Disclosure of Non-Personally Identifiable Information (PII)

5.3.1 Scope
External data requests from individuals or organizations that are not intending on conducting external research or are not fulfilling a state or federal reporting requirement, audit, or evaluation.

5.3.2 Student Data Disclosure Risk Levels
Legacy Preparatory Academy has determined four levels of data requests with corresponding policies and procedures for appropriately protecting data based on risk: Low, Medium, and High. The Coordinator of Data and Statistics will make final determinations on classification of student data requests risk level.

5.3.2.1 Low-Risk Data Request Process
Definition: High-level aggregate data
Examples:
- Graduation rate by year for the state
- Percent of third-graders scoring proficient on the SAGE ELA assessment

Process: Requester creates a ticket, Data Request forwarded to appropriate Data Steward. Data Steward fulfills request and saves the dataset in a secure folder managed by the Coordinator of Data and Statistics. The Data Steward closes the ticket.

5.3.2.2 Medium-Risk Data Request Process
Definition: Aggregate data, but because of potentially low n-sizes, the data must have disclosure avoidance methods applied.
Examples:
- Graduation rate by year and LEA
- Percent of third-graders scoring proficient on the SAGE ELA assessment by school
- Child Nutrition Program Free or Reduced Lunch percentages by school

Process: Requester creates a ticket, Data Request forwarded to appropriate Data Steward, Data Steward fulfills request, applies appropriate disclosure avoidance techniques, and sends to another Data Steward for Quality Assurance (ensuring student data protection). If it passes QA, data are sent to requester and saves the dataset in a secure folder managed by the Coordinator of Data and Statistics. Data Steward closes the ticket. If it does not pass QA, the data are sent back to the Data Steward for modification.

5.3.2.3 High-Risk Data Request Process
Definition: Student-level data that are de-identified.

Examples:
- De-identified student-level graduation data
- De-identified student-level SAGE ELA assessment scores for grades 3-6.

Process: Requester creates a ticket, Data Request forwarded to Data and Statistic Coordinator for review. If the request is approved, an MOA is drafted and sent to legal, placed on the board consent
calendar, reviewed by the Superintendent, sent to the Purchasing/Contract Manager, sent to Coordinator or Data and Statistics, appropriate Data Steward fulfills request, de-identifies data as appropriate, and sends to another Data Steward for Quality Assurance (ensuring student data protection). If it passes QA, data are sent to requester and saves the dataset in a secure folder managed by the Coordinator of Data and Statistics. The Data Steward closes the ticket. If it does not pass QA, the data are sent back to the Data Steward for modification.

5.4 DATA DISCLOSURE TO A REQUESTING EXTERNAL RESEARCHER OR EVALUATOR
Responsibility: The Coordinator of Data and Statistics will ensure the proper data are shared with external researcher or evaluator to comply with federal, state, and board rules.

Legacy Preparatory Academy may not disclose personally identifiable information of students to external persons or organizations to conduct research or evaluation that is not directly related to a state or federal program audit or evaluation. Data that do not disclose PII may be shared with external researcher or evaluators for projects unrelated to federal or state requirements if:

1. A Legacy Preparatory Academy Director, Superintendent, or board member sponsors an external researcher or evaluator request.
2. Student data are not PII and are de-identified through disclosure avoidance techniques and other pertinent techniques as determined by the Coordinator of Data and Statistics.
3. Researchers and evaluators supply the Legacy Preparatory Academy a copy of any publication or presentation that uses Legacy Preparatory Academy data 10 business days prior to any publication or presentation.

Process: Research Proposal must be submitted using this form: http://www.schools.utah.gov/data/Data-Request/ResearcherProposal.aspx. Research proposals are sent directly to the Coordinator of Data and Statistics for review. If the request is approved, an MOA is drafted and sent to legal, placed on the board consent calendar, reviewed by the Superintendent, sent to the Purchasing/Contract Manager, sent to Coordinator or Data and Statistics, appropriate Data Steward fulfills request, de-identifies data as appropriate, and sends to another Data Steward for Quality Assurance (ensuring student data protection). If it passes QA, data are sent to requester and saves the dataset in a secure folder managed by the Coordinator of Data and Statistics. The Data Steward closes the ticket. If it does not pass QA, the data are sent back to the Data Steward for modification.

6 DATA BREACH

6.1 PURPOSE
Establishing a plan for responding to a data breach, complete with clearly defined roles and responsibilities, will promote better response coordination and help educational organizations shorten their incident response time. Prompt response is essential for minimizing the risk of any further data loss and, therefore, plays an important role in mitigating any negative consequences of the breach, including potential harm to affected individuals.
6.2 Policy
Legacy Preparatory Academy shall follow industry best practices to protect information and data. In the event of a data breach or inadvertent disclosure of personally identifiable information, Legacy Preparatory Academy staff shall follow industry best practices outlined in the Agency IT Security Policy for responding to the breach. Further, Legacy Preparatory Academy shall follow best practices for notifying affected parties, including students, in the case of an adult student, or parents or legal guardians, if the student is not an adult student.

Concerns about security breaches must be reported immediately to the IT security manager who will collaborate with appropriate members of the Legacy Preparatory Academy executive team to determine whether a security breach has occurred. If the Legacy Preparatory Academy data breach response team determines that one or more employees or contracted partners have substantially failed to comply with Legacy Preparatory Academy’s Agency IT Security Policy and relevant privacy policies, they will identify appropriate consequences, which may include termination of employment or a contract and further legal action. Concerns about security breaches that involve the IT Security Manager must be reported immediately to the Superintendent.

Legacy Preparatory Academy will provide and periodically update, in keeping with industry best practices, resources for Utah LEAs in preparing for and responding to a security breach. Legacy Preparatory Academy will make these resources available on its website.

7 Record Retention and Expungement

7.1 Purpose
Records retention and expungement policies promote efficient management of records, preservation of records of enduring value, quality access to public information, and data privacy.

7.2 Scope
Legacy Preparatory Academy board members and staff.

7.3 Policy
The Legacy Preparatory Academy, staff, Utah LEAs and schools shall retain and dispose of student records in accordance with Section 63G-2-604, 53A-1-1407, and shall comply with active retention schedules for student records per Utah Division of Archive and Record Services.

In accordance with 53A-1-1407, the Legacy Preparatory Academy shall expunge student data that is stored upon request of the student if the student is at least 23 years old. The Legacy Preparatory Academy may expunge medical records and behavioral test assessments. Legacy Preparatory Academy will not expunge student records of grades, transcripts, a record of the student’s enrollment or assessment information. Legacy Preparatory Academy staff will collaborate with Utah State Achieves and Records Services in updating data retention schedules.
Legacy Preparatory Academy maintained student-level discipline data will be expunged after three years.

8 QUALITY ASSURANCES AND TRANSPARENCY REQUIREMENTS

8.1 PURPOSE
Data quality is achieved when information is valid for the use to which it is applied, is consistent with other reported data and users of the data have confidence in and rely upon it. Good data quality does not solely exist with the data itself, but is also a function of appropriate data interpretation and use and the perceived quality of the data. Thus, true data quality involves not just those auditing, cleaning and reporting the data, but also data consumers. Data quality at is addressed in five areas:

8.1.1 Data Governance Structure
The Legacy Preparatory Academy data governance policy is structured to encourage the effective and appropriate use of educational data. The Legacy Preparatory Academy data governance structure centers on the idea that data is the responsibility of all Legacy Preparatory Academy sections and that data driven decision making is the goal of all data collection, storage, reporting and analysis. Data driven decision making guides what data is collected, reported and analyzed.

8.1.2 Data Requirements and Definitions
Clear and consistent data requirements and definitions are necessary for good data quality. On the data collection side, the Legacy Preparatory Academy communicates data requirements and definitions to LEAs through the Data Clearinghouse Update Transactions documentation (see http://www.schools.utah.gov/computerservices/Data-Clearinghouse.aspx). The Legacy Preparatory Academy also communicates with LEA IT staff regularly, at monthly Data Warehouse Group meetings and at biannual Data Conferences. Where possible, Legacy Preparatory Academy program specialists are invited to these meetings and the same guidance is given to the appropriate LEA program directors.

On the data reporting side, the production and presentation layers provide standard data definitions and business rules. Data Stewards coordinate data releases through the Data Stewards Group meetings. All data released includes relevant data definitions, business rules, and are date stamped. Further, Data and Statistics produces documentation, trainings and FAQs on key statistics and reports, such as AYP, graduation rate and class size.

8.1.3 Data Collection
Data elements should be collected only once—no duplicate data collections are permitted. Where possible, data is collected at the lowest level available (i.e. at the student/teacher level). Thus, there are no aggregate data collections if the aggregate data can be derived or calculated from the detailed data.

For all new data collections, Legacy Preparatory Academy provides to LEAs clear guidelines for data collection and the purpose of the data request. The Legacy Preparatory Academy also notifies LEAs as soon as possible about future data collections. Time must be given to LEAs in order for them to begin gathering the data needed.
8.1.4 Data Auditing
Data and Statistics Data Analysts perform regular and ad hoc data auditing. They analyze data in the warehouse for anomalies, investigate the source of the anomalies, and work with IT and/or LEAs in explaining and/or correcting the anomalies. Data Analysts also work with School Finance to address findings from the Auditors.

8.1.5 Quality Control Checklist
Checklists have been proven to increase quality (See Appendix C). Therefore, before releasing high-risk data, Data Stewards and Data Analysts must successfully complete the data release checklist in three areas: reliability, validity and presentation.

9 Data Transparency

Annually, Legacy Preparatory Academy will publically post:

- Legacy Preparatory Academy data collections
- Metadata Dictionary as described in Utah’s Student Data Protection Act (SDPA), U.C.A §53A-1-1401