
Immigration Enforcement on District Property

The district complies with state and federal law, including Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) 180.805 and 181.826, and this policy and accompanying administrative regulations, when responding to requests from federal immigration authorities regarding immigration enforcement.

Absent a judicially authorized warrant or court order, district staff must not allow federal immigration authorities access to the district's records or facilities not open to the public for the purposes of immigration enforcement and must verify the validity of any warrant or court order involving immigration enforcement presented to them by federal immigration authorities to ensure it is judicially authorized. The superintendent or designee must review and approve any response to a request involving immigration enforcement. The district will provide ongoing training to designated staff to ensure compliance with this policy.

Confidentiality of School Records

Except when required by a judicially authorized warrant, subpoena, or order, Oregon law prohibits the district from disclosing protected information to federal immigration authorities for the purpose of enforcing federal immigration laws. Protected information includes information relating to a person's:

1. Address;
2. Workplace or hours of work;
3. School or school hours;
4. Contact information, including telephone number, electronic mail address or social media account information;
5. Known associates or relatives; and
6. Date, time or location of the person's hearings, proceedings or appointments with a public body that are not matters of public record.

Oregon law also prohibits sharing any of the above information about a person's relatives or known associates with federal authorities for immigration enforcement purposes.

Oregon law generally prohibits the district from sharing or disclosing citizenship or immigration status or country of birth information¹ that the district collects, unless one of the following exceptions applies:

1. The disclosure is required by state or federal law (other than federal immigration law);
2. The disclosure is required by a judicially authorized warrant, order, or subpoena;
3. The information being shared with a person concerns only that person or their dependents; or
4. The information is aggregated and not personally identifiable.

¹ Citizenship or immigration status or country of birth information is any information concerning:

1. Where a person was born; or
2. Whether a person is a citizen of the United States; or
3. Whether a person has lawful authority to be present in the United States.

In addition to the prohibitions described above, federal and state laws make records and information related to students confidential and permit disclosure only in limited circumstances. The district's policies with respect to student records can be found in Board policies JO/IGBAB – Education Records/Records of Students with Disabilities, JOA – Directory Information and JOB – Personally Identifiable Information. To ensure compliance with applicable federal and state law, the district's staff shall not disclose any school records or information to federal immigration authorities except as provided in these policies.

Staff must also maintain the confidentiality of school records and other information about students, staff, and volunteers when communicating with other students, parents, or community members about immigration enforcement activities involving students, staff, or volunteers of the district or occurring on district property. Staff should direct anyone with questions about immigration enforcement activities occurring on district property to the immigration liaison.

Designation of Primary Point of Contact

The public safety director is the primary point of contact for coordinating interactions with federal immigration authorities occurring in the district ("immigration liaison"). The public safety manager shall serve as an alternative point of contact during the director's absence or unavailability ("alternate immigration liaison").

The immigration liaison's responsibilities include:

1. Serving as the district's representative during encounters with federal immigration authorities;
2. Confirming when federal immigration authorities have entered school property for immigration enforcement purposes;
3. Ensuring federal immigration authorities engaging in enforcement activities at the district have notice of relevant district policies: JO/IGBAB – Education Records/Records of Students with Disabilities, JOA – Directory Information, JOB – Personally Identifiable Information, and this policy;
4. Assisting staff in performing their duties in response to immigration enforcement efforts, including ensuring compliance with all district policies and procedures related to interactions with federal immigration authorities and immigration enforcement efforts;
5. Reviewing and responding to requests from federal immigration authorities, in coordination with, and under the direction of, the superintendent or designee;
6. Facilitating the district's compliance with lawful immigration enforcement efforts in a manner that does not unnecessarily disrupt the school environment or invade the privacy of students, staff, or volunteers;
7. Providing notice as required in this policy when a federal immigration authority has been confirmed to have entered school property for immigration enforcement.

Required Notice

When a federal immigration authority is reported to have entered school property² for the purpose of immigration enforcement, the immigration liaison shall confirm whether federal immigration authorities have entered school property for immigration enforcement, and if confirmed, shall provide notice as follows:

1. Notice must be provided to:
 - a. Students who attend the school where the federal immigration authority is confirmed to be on school property for immigration enforcement and who are in grades 6 and above;
 - b. Parents or guardians of students attending the school where the federal immigration authority is confirmed to be on school property for immigration enforcement;
 - c. Staff of the school where the federal immigration authority is confirmed to be on school property for immigration enforcement; and

² "School property" means any real property owned or controlled by or on behalf of the school district that is accessed by students of the school district on a regular basis, as determined by the school district board.

- d. Community-based service providers³ that have requested to receive notice when a federal immigration authority is confirmed to be on school property for immigration enforcement. Community-based service providers can request to receive such notifications by contacting the immigration liaison at the district office.

2. Notice must include:

- a. The general location of the federal immigration authority; and
- b. Whether classes or school operations were affected by the presence of the federal immigration authority.

3. Notice must not disclose:

- a. Personally identifiable information;
- b. Other information that may not be legally disclosed; or
- c. Other information when the disclosure may threaten the health or safety of students or staff of the district or is prohibited by a court order.

The required notice will be provided as expediently as possible using existing methods used for providing electronic communications.

Unless otherwise prohibited by law or court order, the district will make reasonable efforts to provide notice to a student, or to the parent or guardian of a student, when the district has provided information related to the student to a federal immigration authority.

Training

The district will provide the immigration liaison and alternate immigration liaison with training as follows:

1. The training must include information on the requirements of House Bill 4079 (2026), any applicable model policies published by the Attorney General, and this policy; and
2. The training must be provided at the time of designation and at least once every two years thereafter.

This policy will be provided to staff and made available in the student handbook and on the district's website.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

ORS 180.810
ORS 180.805
ORS 181.826
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Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, 20 U.S.C. § 1232g (2024); Family Educational Rights and Privacy, 34 C.F.R. Part 99 (2026)
Oregon Attorney General's K12 School Model Policy
Senate Bill 1538 (2026)
Senate Bill 1594 (2026)
House Bill 4079 (2026)

³ "Community-based service provider" is defined as a person or organization that provides services to students at a school as a contractor, agent or volunteer.