

C406L23 (Student Data Transfer)

SSB6053 (Education Data Sharing)

Budget Language

KM2 – Student Data Transfer

\$532,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2024 and \$436,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 are provided solely for implementation of Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5593 (student data transfer).

JH2 – Education Data Sharing

\$3,000 of the general fund—state appropriation for fiscal year 2025 is provided solely for implementation of Substitute Senate Bill No. 6053 (education data sharing).

Proviso Purpose

5593 Summary - The purpose of this proviso funding is to implement Substitute Senate Bill 5593 which includes: a high school student directory data collection and subsequent data sharing. The collection is a new requirement that specifies school districts must send the high school student, and their parent/guardian contact information to OSPI by November 1, 2024, and annually thereafter. OSPI must then share the directory data with institutions of higher education (IHE). This bill also requires data sharing to provide student enrollment and outcomes from IHEs with OSPI. OSPI will then provide this information to the students' last school district.

6053 Summary – This bill clarified and improved a few elements from SB5593. This bill added Washington Student Achievement Council (WSAC) as a participant in data-sharing agreements with OSPI to facilitate the transfer of high school student directory information for financial aid communication. The purpose of the data-sharing agreements for WSAC and institutions of higher education is modified to include postsecondary financial aid opportunities in addition to educational opportunities. Additionally, the bill recognized the Education Research and Data Center (ERDC) as the facilitator of higher education enrollment and outcome data.

Services Provided

OSPI has finalized Data Share Agreements with eight institutions and is awaiting final signatures from three more. Student directory data for approximately 287,000 students has already been provided to those institutions with completed agreements.



Criteria for Receiving Services/Grants

This proviso does not include direct services and/or grants to school districts.

Beneficiaries in the 2024-25 School Year – KM2

Number of School Districts:	0
Number of Schools:	0
Number of Students:	0
Number of Educators:	0

Beneficiaries in the 2024-25 School Year – JH2

Number of School Districts:	0
Number of Schools:	0
Number of Students:	0
Number of Educators:	0

Are Federal or Other Funds Contingent on State Funding?

No.

State Funding History

KM2 – Student Data Transfer

Fiscal Year	Amount Funded	Actual Expenditures
2025	\$436,000	\$320,060
2024	\$532,000	\$178,134

JH2 – Education Data Sharing

Fiscal Year	Amount Funded	Actual Expenditures
2025	\$3,000	0

Number of Beneficiaries Per Fiscal Year (e.g. School Districts, Schools, Students, Educators, Other)

KM2 - Student Data Transfer

Fiscal Year	Number of Beneficiaries
2025	272 School Districts received data.
2024	0

JH2 - Education Data Sharing

Fiscal Year	Number of Beneficiaries
2025	Unknown

Programmatic Changes Since Inception (If Any)

OSPI continues to update the system used for data collection from school districts. This program requires a unique data collection. OSPI is investigating adding “grade level” to the data files provided to colleges.

Program(s) Evaluation or Major Findings

OSPI has been asked to include each student’s grade level as part of the directory information it shares. Including grade level will allow colleges to tailor their communications and the information they provide to students more effectively, based on where students are in their education.

Major Challenges Faced by Program(s)

This program does require a unique data collection from school districts, adding to their reporting responsibilities during the fall.

Colleges have expressed challenges with the data provided, not being able to see the student grade level resulting in redundant or ineffective communication.

Future Opportunities

OSPI is working with the ERDC to improve the quality and amount of postsecondary education data shared with school districts. This may include information from the National Student Clearinghouse. OSPI is developing a dashboard that will allow school districts to easily access the most relevant and actionable data about students’ post-secondary enrollment.

Other Relevant Information

This work complements other OSPI and school district activities including the High School and Beyond Plan Platform, and efforts to evaluate K-12 public education through post-secondary engagement in higher education.

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