

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 58th Legislature (2022)

3 SENATE BILL 1268

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to the Parents' Bill of Rights;  
8 amending 25 O.S. 2021, Section 2003, which relates to  
9 parental involvement policies; requiring policy to  
10 include certain procedures to register to vote and  
11 learn certain information; modifying provision  
12 regarding objection to learning materials; requiring  
13 policy to include certain provision regarding  
14 community resources; modifying provision regarding  
15 procedures for learning of rights; providing an  
16 effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

18 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 25 O.S. 2021, Section 2003, is  
19 amended to read as follows:

20 Section 2003. A. The board of education of a school district,  
21 in consultation with parents, teachers, and administrators, shall  
22 develop and adopt a policy to promote the involvement of parents and  
23 guardians of children enrolled in the schools within the school  
24 district, including:

25 1. A plan for parent participation in the schools which is  
26 designed to improve parent and teacher cooperation in such areas as  
27 homework, attendance and discipline;

1           2. Procedures by which parents register to vote in local  
2 elections and may learn about upcoming dates for board of education  
3 and school bond elections;

4           3. Procedures by which parents may learn about the course of  
5 study for their children and review learning materials, including  
6 the source of any supplemental educational materials;

7           ~~3.~~ 4. Procedures by which parents who object to any learning  
8 material or activity ~~on the basis that it is harmful~~ may withdraw  
9 their children from the activity or from the class or program in  
10 which the material is used. Objection to a learning material or  
11 activity ~~on the basis that it is harmful~~ includes objection to a  
12 material or activity because the parent believes it ~~questions~~  
13 ~~beliefs or practices in sex, morality or religion~~ is inappropriate  
14 for the student due to personal beliefs, religious practices, or  
15 traumatic experiences;

16           ~~4.~~ 5. If a school district offers any sex education curricula  
17 pursuant to Section 11-105.1 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes or  
18 pursuant to any rules adopted by the State Board of Education,  
19 procedures to opt out of a school district from providing sex  
20 education instruction to a child if the child's parent provides  
21 written objection to the child's participation in the sex education  
22 curricula;

23           ~~5.~~ 6. Procedures by which parents will be notified in advance  
24 of and given the opportunity to withdraw their children from any  
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1 instruction or presentations regarding sexuality in courses other  
2 than formal sex education curricula pursuant to Section 11-105.1 of  
3 Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

4 ~~6.~~ 7. Procedures by which parents may learn about the nature  
5 and purpose of clubs and activities that are part of the school  
6 curriculum, as well as extracurricular clubs and activities that  
7 have been approved by the school; ~~and~~

8 8. Procedures by which parents may learn about community  
9 resources that are available to better equip their child to be  
10 successful at school including but not limited to access to health  
11 care, dental care, eye care, assistive devices, professionals and  
12 specialists, community counseling centers, social workers, private  
13 counselors, tutors, mentors, and other resources; and

14 ~~7.~~ 9. Procedures by which parents may learn about parental  
15 rights and responsibilities under the laws of this state, including  
16 the following:

17 a. the right to access free instructional materials at  
18 school and at home,

19 b. the right to opt out of a sex education curriculum if  
20 one is provided by the school district,

21 ~~b.~~ c. open enrollment rights,

22 ~~c.~~ d. the right to opt out of assignments pursuant to this  
23 section,

- ~~d.~~ e. the right to be exempt from the immunization laws of the state pursuant to Section 1210.192 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes,
- ~~e.~~ f. the promotion requirements prescribed in Section 1210.508E of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes,
- ~~f.~~ g. the minimum course of study and competency requirements for graduation from high school prescribed in Section 11-103.6 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes,
- ~~g.~~ h. the right to opt out of instruction on the acquired immune deficiency syndrome pursuant to Section 11-103.3 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes,
- ~~h.~~ i. the right to review test results,
- ~~i.~~ j. the right to participate in gifted programs pursuant to Sections 1210.301 through 1210.308 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes,
- ~~j.~~ k. the right to inspect instructional materials used in connection with any research or experimentation program or project pursuant to Section 11-106 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes,
- ~~k.~~ l. the right to receive a school report card,
- ~~l.~~ m. the attendance requirements prescribed in Section 10-106 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes,



1 principal or the superintendent of the school district shall either  
2 deliver the requested information to the parent or submit to the  
3 parent a written explanation of the reasons for the denial of the  
4 requested information. If the request for information is denied or  
5 the parent does not receive the requested information within fifteen  
6 (15) days after submitting the request for information, the parent  
7 may submit a written request for the information to the board of  
8 education of a school district, which shall formally consider the  
9 request at the next scheduled public meeting of the board if the  
10 request can be properly noticed on the agenda. If the request  
11 cannot be properly noticed on the agenda, the board of education of  
12 a school district shall formally consider the request at the next  
13 subsequent public meeting of the board.

14 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2022.

15 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
16 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby  
17 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
18 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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