



**PARENTS' BILL OF RIGHTS FOR DATA PRIVACY AND SECURITY**

Health Sciences Charter School (HSCS) is committed to protecting the privacy and security of student data and teacher and principal data. In accordance with New York Education Law Section 2-d and its implementing regulations, Health Sciences Charter School informs the school community of the following:

1. A student's personally identifiable information cannot be sold or released for any commercial purposes.
2. Parents have the right to inspect and review the complete contents of their child's education record.
3. State and federal laws protect the confidentiality of personally identifiable information, and safeguards associated with industry standards and best practices, including but not limited to encryption, firewalls, and password protection, must be in place when data is stored or transferred.
4. A complete list of all student data elements collected by New York State is available for public review at the following website <http://www.nysed.gov/data-privacy-security/student-data-inventory> or by writing to the Office of Information and Reporting Services, New York State Education Department, Room 865 EBA, 89 Washington Avenue, Albany, New York 12234.
5. Parents have the right to submit complaints about possible breaches of student data addressed. Complaints may can be directed in writing to Chief Privacy Officer, New York State Education Department, 89 Washington Avenue, Albany, New York 12234 or by using the form available at the following website: <http://www.nysed.gov/data-privacy-security/report-improper-disclosure>

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this agreement as of the day and year first written above.**

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 Authorized Vendor Signature

8/27/2020  
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 Authorized HSCS Signature

10/5/2020  
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**VENDOR INFORMATION REGARDING DATA PRIVACY AND SECURITY**

<b>Vendor:</b>	Newsela, Inc.	<b>Product:</b>	Newsela Services
<b>Collects:</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Student Data</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Teacher or Principal Data</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Does Not Collect Either</b>

Educational agencies including Health Sciences Charter School are required to post information about third-party contracts on the agency's website with the Parents Bill of Rights. To that end, please complete the table below with information relevant to NYS Education Law 2-d and Part 121.3 of the Commissioner's Regulations. Note that this applies to all software applications and to mobile applications ("apps").

<b>PART 1: Exclusive Purpose for Data Use</b>
The exclusive purposes for which the student data (or teacher or principal data) will be used by the third-party contractor:
Newsela collects district data for enablement of usage of the platform as well as internal analytics to improve the educational experience of the platform.
<b>PART 2: Subcontractor Oversight Details – Select the appropriate option below</b>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This Contract has no subcontractors
<input type="checkbox"/> This contract has subcontractors. As such, the third-party contractor will take the following steps to ensure that any subcontractors, assignees, or other agents who see, or receive, this protected data are contractually required to obey the same data protection and security requirements that the third-party contractor is required to obey under state and federal law:
<b>PART 3: Contract Lifecycle Practices</b>
The contract expires on <u>9/30/2021</u> unless renewed or automatically extended for a term pursuant to the agreement. When the contract expires, protected data will be deleted by the contractor, via shredding, returning of data, mass deletion, and upon request, may be exported for use by HSCS before deletion.
<b>Part 4: Student Educational Records / Improper Disclosure</b>
A. For information on FERPA (Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act), which is the federal law that protects the privacy of student education records, visit the U.S. Department of Education FERPA website. B. A complaint or report of improper disclosure may be completed by submitting the Improper Disclosure Report form.
<b>Part 5: Security Practices</b>
A. Protected data provided to the contractor will be stored: (include where and how)
Data is stored within AWS S3 and AWS RDS; file storage is located in AWS' US-East 1 region in Herndon, VA. Data at rest is encrypted using AES-256 and data in transit is encrypted using standard TLS protocols.
B. The security protections taken to ensure data will be protected that align with the NIST Cybersecurity Framework and industry best practices include:
Please refer to the attached Newsela Data Security & Privacy Policy document
<b>Part 6: Encryption Practices</b>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> By checking this box, contractor certifies that data encryption is applied in accordance with NYS Education Law Section 2-d 5(f)(5).