SPOTLIGHT ON EDTECH

How the New California and Nevada Privacy Laws Will Impact Data in EdTech



Introductions



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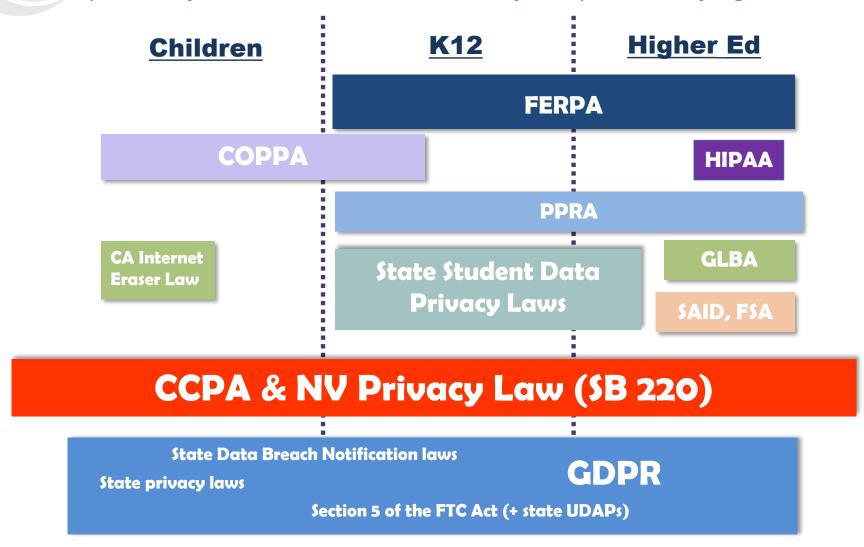
Agenda

- Scope and Applicability of CA and NV Privacy Laws
- Key Compliance Obligations & Enforcement
 - Notice & Transparency
 - Data Subject Rights
 - "Do Not Sell" Requirements
- Implications for EdTech: Child-Directed & School-Directed Services
 - COPPA and Opt-In to "Sale"
 - Categorization of EdTech Providers Under CCPA
 - Potential Conflicts of Laws
 - Contracting Implications



EdTech Legal Framework

Operators of child or student-related services face a patchwork of regulation



Scope and Applicability of the CCPA and NV SB-220



What's New?

California Consumer Privacy Act (CCPA)

Effective date: January 1, 2020 (enforcement unlikely before July 2020)

Anticipate statutory amendments and California AG regulations, coming "Fall" 2019

- Imports GDPR-style consumer rights around data ownership, transparency and control
- Right to Opt-Out: Do Not Sell My Personal Information link
- Pay-for-Privacy: may offer financial incentives for collection, sale and deletion of personal information but can't "discriminate" against consumers who exercise their rights
- Private Right of Action for Data Breaches: increased litigation risk (\$100 to \$750 per incident)

Nevada Privacy Law (SB 220)

Effective date: October 1, 2020

- Right to Opt-Out: Do not sell to recipient who will license or resell PI
- Much more limited in scope, burdens, risks

CCPA: Applies to a "Business"

A Business:

- For-profit entity
- Does business in California
- Collects, receives or accesses California residents' personal information
- Decides why and how such personal information is used or processed,

AND

- Satisfies at least one of the following criteria:
 - Gross revenue over \$25M per year;
 - Collects or shares the personal information of >50,000 CA consumers, households or devices per year; or
 - Derives 50% or more of its revenue from selling CA consumers' personal information

CCPA "Personal Information" Defined

Expansive Definition of "Personal Information" – Information that identifies, relates to, describes, is capable of being associated with, or could reasonably be linked, directly or indirectly, to a particular consumer or household.



THE USUAL SUSPECTS

- Name
- SSN
- Financial Information (exc. GLBA)
- Contact Information
- Signature
- · Physical Characteristics
- Insurance Policy Number
- · Other Gov't IDs
- · Health Data (exc. HIPAA)
- Passport
- · Driver's License





PROTECTED CLASSIFICATIONS

- Race
- Citizenship
- Color
- **National Origin**
- Military Status
- Religion
- Gender Identity and Expression
- Sex
- · Medical Condition or Disability
- Marital Status
- Age
- Genetic Information

EDUCATION INFORMATION

Defined as information that is not publicly available personally identifiable information as defined in FERPA.





INTERNET OR OTHER **ELECTRONIC NETWORK ACTIVITY**

- Search History
- Browsing History
- Cookie Data
- IP Address
- Interest Data
- Online Interactions



BEHAVIORAL AND PROFILING DATA

- Tendencies
- Products/Services Considered
- Inferences
- Interest Data
- Order History
- Search History
- · Purchase History







SENSORY DATA

- Audio
- Electronic
- Visual
- Thermal
- Similar Information
- Olfactory

"Personal information" includes "education information, defined as information that is not publicly available personally identifiable information as defined in the FERPA."

CCPA Exemptions and Exceptions

Exemptions for personal information processed pursuant to federal privacy regimes:

- the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act (GLBA);**
- the Driver's Privacy Protection Act (DPPA);**
- the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA);
- clinical trial information collected under the Common Rule.

**The data collected under these exemptions can arguably serve as the basis of a private right of action under the CCPA in the event of a qualifying data breach.

Efforts to add exemption for FERPA-covered data have not been successful (yet)

PRACTICE NOTE: CCPA exempts only the personal information collected pursuant to these statutes, <u>but</u> a business may collect other types that are subject to the CPPA (e.g., IP address, cookie data, employee data, etc.).

Nevada: Applies to an "Operator"

An Operator:

- Owns or operates a website or online service for commercial purposes;
- Collects and maintains covered information from consumers who reside in Nevada and use or visit the Internet website or online service;

AND

 Purposefully directs its activities toward Nevada, consummates transactions with Nevada or its residents, purposefully avails itself of the privilege of conducting activities in Nevada or otherwise engages in any activity that constitutes a sufficient nexus with Nevada.

An Operator <u>IS NOT</u>:

- A third party acting on behalf of an owner of an Internet website or online service;
- A financial institution subject to the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act ("GLBA");
- An entity subject to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act ("HIPAA");
- A manufacturer, repairer or servicer of motor vehicles where data is retrieved from a connected vehicle
 or provided by a consumer in connection with a motor vehicle technology or service.

Nevada: "Covered Information" is Defined Less Broadly

DEFINITION — Any one or more of the following items of PII about a consumer collected by an operator through a website or online service and maintained by the operator in an accessible form:







Email Address



Any other information concerning a person collected from the person online that in combination with an identifier makes the information personally identifiable



Name

Telephone Number



Social Security
Number



Identifier Allowing Physical or Online Contact **Key Compliance Obligations**



Under the CCPA, a "Business" must:

DISCLOSE online:

- categories of PI it collects, sells and otherwise discloses for a business purpose;
- categories of sources of the PI;
- business or commercial purposes for collecting or selling the PI;
- categories of third parties to whom the business "sells" or otherwise discloses the PI; and
- description of the consumers' rights and the designated methods for submitting requests.

PROVIDE ACCESS:

 to the PI collected over past 12 months in a *portable* format, in response to a "verifiable consumer request"

DELETE:

 PI upon a "verifiable consumer request" (and direct "service providers" to delete), subject to exceptions

PERMIT OPT-OUT

 of data "sales" to third parties (including via "Do Not Sell My Personal Information" link), subject to exceptions

OBTAIN OPT-IN CONSENT:

 for children 13-16, for "sales" of PI to a third party ("actual knowledge" and "willfully disregard" standard)

TRAIN EMPLOYEES:

 about the business' privacy practices, compliance and how to direct consumers to exercise their rights

NOT DISCRIMINATE:

 Against consumers who exercise their rights under the CCPA, but some financial incentives permissible ("Pay-for-Privacy")

CONTRACT effectively:

 relative to "service providers" to establish scope of permissible data uses and mechanism for complying with consumer access/deletion requests

Under Nevada's law, an "Operator" must:

DISCLOSE

 Establish a designated address through which a consumer may submit a verified request directing the operator not to make any sale of any covered information.

PERMIT OPT-OUT OF SALE

 Refrain from making any sale of any covered information after receiving a verified consumer request.

RESPOND

 Respond to a verified consumer request within 60 days after receipt, or within an additional 30 days if reasonably necessary and with notice to the consumer.

What is a "Sale"?

CCPA

 Selling, renting, releasing, disclosing, disseminating, making available, transferring or otherwise communicating a consumer's personal information to another business or a third party for monetary or other valuable consideration.

Does Not Include:

- If a consumer uses or directs the business to intentionally disclose personal information or uses the business to intentionally interact with a third party;
- Sharing an identifier to alert third parties that the consumer has opted out of sales;
- Sharing with a service provider that is necessary to perform a business purpose, pursuant to contractual restrictions;
- Transferring to a third party as an asset that is part of a merger, acquisition, bankruptcy or other transaction in which the third party assumes control of all or part of the business.

Nevada

 The exchange of covered information for monetary consideration by the operator to a person for the person to license or sell the covered information to additional persons.

Does Not Include:

- Disclosure to a person processing the covered information on behalf of the operator;
- Disclosure to a person with a direct relationship with the consumer for the purpose of providing a product or service requested by the consumer;
- Disclosure consistent with a consumer's reasonable expectations;
- Disclosure to affiliates; or
- Disclosure as part of a merger, acquisition, bankruptcy or other asset transaction.

Enforcement & Liabilities

CCPA

AG Enforcement: Civil penalty of \$2,500 (per violation) to \$7,500 (per intentional violation) and injunctive relief.

- Enforcement is triggered upon violation(s) of CCPA.
- 30-day notice and cure period before AG may bring an enforcement action.

Limited Private Right of Action for Data Breach: Statutory damages not less than \$100 and not greater than \$750 "per consumer per incident," or actual damages (whichever is greater); injunctive or declaratory relief.

- Consumers may bring an action when personal information is subject to unauthorized access and exfiltration, theft or disclosure as a result of a failure to implement and maintain reasonable security measures.
- 30-day notice and cure period before filing.

NV Law

AG Enforcement: Injunction; civil penalty not to exceed \$5,000 per violation or injunctive relief.

Potential Impact on EdTech

For School-Directed Services



Quick Recap: Regs for School-Directed Services

	СОРРА	FERPA	40+ State Student Privacy Laws
	 Online operators PI broadly defined (incl. image, audio, persistent IDs, IP address, etc.) Children <13 (K-8) 	 EdTech "School Officials" (imposed via contract) PI from educational records K12 + Higher Ed students 	 EdTech providers or K12 online services PI or "covered data" (much more broad) K12 students
Notice	✓ Notice of data practices	✓ Implicit	✓ Specific contract terms
Consent	 Can rely on School to provide necessary consent in limited circumstances 	■ No parental consent	■ No parental consent
Use	✓ Solely for use and benefit of school and for no other commercial purpose	✓ Solely for educational purpose described in contract, subject to school control	✓ Solely to provide service described in agreement on behalf of school
Rights	✓ Right to review or delete PI or withdraw consent	✓ Rights to inspect, review, amend	✓ Generally, yes, subject to school direction
Deletion	 Upon request or when no longer needed for school 	✓ Upon request or when no longer needed for school	✓ Upon request or when no longer needed for school

purpose

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! \$40,000 per violation

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Strict contracts

For School-Directed Services

CCPA Service Providers

CCPA imposes very different obligations, depending on the Company's role (Business, Service Provider, Third Party)

"Business"

A for-profit entity that does business in California, collects personal information of California residents and **determines why and how** personal information is processed, and meets size thresholds

CCPA obligations apply primarily to **Businesses**!

"Service Provider"

A for-profit entity that receives PI for a business purpose and processes PI on behalf of a business pursuant to a contract that prohibits the service provider from:

- retaining, using or disclosing PI for any purpose other than performing the contracted services, including using the PI for a commercial purpose other than the contracted service.
- Disclosures: not required, but good practice
- Access/Portability (may need to assist Business response)
- ✓ Businesses must pass through deletion requests to service providers
- Data sales opt-outs (n/a)

"Certified Partner"

A person who receives PI for a **business purpose** pursuant to a **contract** that prohibits the person from:

- retaining, using or disclosing PI for any purpose other than performing the contracted services, including using the PI for a commercial purpose other than the contracted service;
- retaining, using or disclosing PI for any purpose outside of the direct business relationship between the parties;
- Includes a certification of compliance.

"Third Party"

A person or business who is not a business, a service provider or a person and does not receive personal information subject to a restrictive contract.

Service Providers have few obligations to *consumers*. Instead, they answer to the Business.

For School-Directed Services

CCPA Definitional Oddities (& problems for EdTech)

"Business"

A for-profit entity that does business in California, collects personal information of California residents and **determines why and how** personal information is processed, and meets size thresholds

A school is <u>not</u> a forprofit entity and therefore <u>cannot</u> be a "business"

"Service Provider"

A for-profit entity that receives PI for a business purpose and processes PI on behalf of a business pursuant to a contract that prohibits the service provider from:

 retaining, using or disclosing PI for any purpose other than performing the contracted services, including using the PI for a commercial purpose other than the contracted service.

An EdTech provider <u>cannot</u> be a "service provider" because it does not process data on behalf of a "business" ... typically, it provides services on behalf of an educational institution (govt. agency)

"Certified Partner"

A person who receives PI for a **business purpose** pursuant to a **contract** that prohibits the person from:

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"Third Party"

A person or business who is not a business, a service provider or a person and does not receive personal information subject to a restrictive contract.

If EdTech provider is a:

"Business" → subject to CCPA consumer rights and obligations

"Person" → Exceptionally strict use limitations; may not be able to use for own operational or business purposes

"Third Party" → subject to CCPA consumer rights obligations

For School-Directed Services

CCPA: Where Do EdTech Providers Fit?

Uncertainty for EdTech providers:

 While "School Official" seems similar to the CCPA "Service Provider" concept, legislators have not taken (and likely will not take) this position

If the EdTech Provider is a:

- "Business" → subject to CCPA consumer rights and obligations
- "Certified Partner" → Exceptionally strict use limitations; may not be able to use for own operational or business purposes
- "Third Party" → subject to CCPA consumer rights obligations

EdTech Provider vs CCPA Service Provider

- ✓ Describe data practices in contract
- ✓ use PI solely to provide the service to the School, for purposes described in contract and no other commercial purpose
- ✓ Subject to direction and control of the School
- Cannot retain or disclose PI to third parties except as directed by School
- Must assist School responding to access and deletion requests

For School-Directed Services CCPA & Conflicts with Laws: Data Subject Rights

1. Who has the right to access and delete student data held by an EdTech Provider?

- Can a student request deletion of grades and homework?
- Could operator be required to delete data under CCPA while prohibited from deleting such data under FERPA and SOPIPA?

2. Who has the right to access PI created by the instructor or school about the student?

- Can students or parents request access to evaluations and assessments?
- 3. Could student opt-out of permissible disclosures to third parties? Would EdTech provider need to get opt-in consent from the student?
 - Several activities permitted by FERPA, SOPIPA and AB 1584 could be considered a "sale" of student data to a third party, but the CCPA would require EdTech operator to request "consent" from a student age 13-16 or from a parent of a child under 13. This could inhibit legitimate disclosures of student data to third parties for research or educational purposes.

PRACTICE NOTE: The CCPA provides a general exception that the obligations imposed upon a business shall not restrict a business's ability to "comply with federal, state, or local laws." Important for school agreements to address how each party will comply with laws!

For School-Directed Services EdTech Contracting Recommendations

- Specify that student data is owned and controlled solely by the school/district (supports argument that the EdTech provider does not have the rights and licenses necessary to honor a consumer's requests but the school/district does).
- Specify that all Consumer Rights Requests will be passed through to the School
- ✓ Include specific **limitations on collection, use, processing and disclosure of student data** in
 line with "School Official" obligations under
 FERPA *and* the "Service Provider" definitions
 under CCPA.



In addition:

EdTech Provider Privacy Policy disclosures should specify that all CCPA data subject requests must be verified with the school/district.

Potential Impact on EdTech

For Child-Directed Services



Quick Recap: Regulatory Environment for Child-Directed Services

COPPA

- **Scope**: Applies to operators of commercial websites and online services (incl. mobile apps) where:
 - The website or online services is directed to children under 13, or
 - The general audience website or service has actual knowledge that it is collecting PI from children under 13, <u>and</u>
 - Operator collects PI from children under 13, (e.g., name, email, photo, video, voice, geolocation, persistent identifier)

Requirements:

- Must obtain verifiable parental consent before collecting PI from children under 13
- PP disclosures; direct notice to parents; among others
- Up to \$40,000 penalty per violation

CA Online Eraser Law

 Scope: Applies to operators of commercial websites and online services (incl. mobile apps) "directed to minors" (under 18)

• Requirements:

- Must permit a minor (under 18) in CA who is a registered user of the service to remove, or to request and obtain removal of, content or information that was posted on the service by the minor.
- Clear instructions in PP on requesting removal of content or information posted.

CCPA: Right to Opt-In to a Sale

- CCPA: A business shall not "sell" the personal information of a consumer to a third party for a non-business purpose unless:
 - For children <13, the child's parent or guardian has affirmatively authorized the sale
 - For children <16, the child consumer has affirmatively authorized the sale
- Applies when business has <u>actual knowledge</u> of child's age. A business cannot <u>willfully</u>
 <u>disregard</u> the child's age or will be deemed to have actual knowledge.

QUESTIONS

- 1. Cannot "willfully disregard" Is there an implicit obligation to age-screen if the site is directed to a child or teen audience? A mixed-audience?
- 2. How to get 'affirmative authorization'? Synonymous with COPPA's verifiable parental consent standard or something less?
- 3. Implications for general audience website that may be attracting teens with homepage cookies and interest-based ad trackers? Fact-specific inquiry, like COPPA?

Child-Directed Services: Consents and Obligations

	СОРРА	ССРА	NV
16+	N/A	Must permit access, knowledge and deletion Must permit opt-out of data sales	Must permit ability to optout of data sales
13 – 16	N/A* *proposed COPPA amendment would require affirmative consent from minors 13-15	Sites with actual knowledge (cannot willfully disregard) Must obtain affirmative authorization from child before selling PI Must permit access, knowledge and deletion	Must permit ability to opt - out of data sales
< 13	Sites with actual knowledge Sites "directed to" children <13 or a mixed audience (may be required to age screen) Must obtain verifiable parental consent before collecting of PI Must permit parent access, deletion, withdrawal of consent	Sites with actual knowledge (cannot willfully disregard) Must obtain affirmative authorization from parent before selling PI	Must permit ability to opt - out of data sales

For Child-Directed Services How to Obtain "Opt-In" to Sale

- 1. Obtain consent prior to "sale."
- 2. Provide "clear and conspicuous" disclosures in line with general privacy principles for transparency (CCPA is silent on content), e.g.:
 - a. The types of the PI that you "sell";
 - b. Description of categories of third parties to whom you will sell PI and how third parties will use it;
 - c. Statement that consumer may revoke consent at any time and mechanism to revoke consent; and
 - d. Hyperlink to Privacy Policy.
- 3. Obtain "affirmative authorization" (e.g., opt-in).
- 4. Enforce opt-outs, monitor complaints, and train employees.



QUESTIONS?



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