

WCSD Board Meeting 8/09/16

Introduction – President PNC, former K-12 Teacher, 3 kids in WCSD schools

Edmodo is a “free” third party software provider several schools in the District use.

Well free to the District - Edmodo is paid with OUR CHILDREN’S DATA.

(From 1:37:45 to 1:43:00)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zWgfszB03V0&feature=youtu.be&t=5842>

We think thousands of children in the District have created Edmodo accounts without first getting their parent’s approval...

This is a problem because Edmodo’s Terms of Service agreement says minors MUST get parent approval before using Edmodo.

<https://www.edmodo.com/corporate/terms-of-service>

Questions:

- 1) How many minor students in the district have signed up for Edmodo accounts without parent approval?**
- 2) What will the District do with all the illegitimate accounts?**
- 3) School started yesterday; will the District continue to allow minor children to sign up for Edmodo accounts without parent approval?**
- 4) 50 days ago, just after school ended, we first asked for - The online document students must agree to prior to using Edmodo. When will we get it?  
Will the District continue to Stonewall us?**

In Edmodo’s Privacy Policy it is stated they will share our Children’s Personal Information with others; they also tell us user information may be transferred or “acquired” by a third party.

<http://coreconcerns.weebly.com/data-brokers/has-your-child-been-signed-up-for-data-broker-edmodo-without-your-consent>

An incredible amount of student data will be generated and analyzed by Edmodo and parties they share our children’s data with.

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**5) Who will Edmodo share our children’s personal data with?**

**6) Will Edmodo, or the others, ever delete our children’s data?**

A Data Broker is someone who sells personal data to third parties.

<http://www.cbsnews.com/news/the-data-brokers-selling-your-personal-information/>

**7) Is Edmodo a Data Broker?**

**a. If not - is there anything in their ToS or Privacy Policy that would prevent them, or one of the parties they share student data with, from becoming a Data Broker in the future?**

<https://www.edmodo.com/corporate/privacy-policy>

Edmodo tells us their agreements can be changed at any time.

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In CA companies like Edmodo can only, “amass a profile” on students for educational purposes.

[http://blogs.edweek.org/edweek/DigitalEducation/2014/09/ landmark\\_student-data-privacy.html](http://blogs.edweek.org/edweek/DigitalEducation/2014/09/ landmark_student-data-privacy.html)

**8) Will Edmodo be “amassing a profile” on our children?**

**a. If yes –**

**i. How will it affect their future?**

<http://www.politico.com/story/2014/05/data-mining-your-children-106676#ixzz330IA3nOm>

**ii. Will it be a psychological profile?**

[http://www.politico.com/story/2014/05/data-mining-your-children-106676\\_Page3.html](http://www.politico.com/story/2014/05/data-mining-your-children-106676_Page3.html)

<http://www.post-gazette.com/news/surveillance-society/2015/08/20/Surveillance-Society-Students-easy-targets-for-data-miners/stories/201508230018>

**9) Since Edmodo is paid with student data instead of cash exactly how will student data be stored, shared, used, and analyzed? AND**

**10) Will parents ever have access to the data and how it was analyzed by Edmodo & the others?**

For the sake of the children, their privacy, and their future we hope the District will quit stonewalling us and answer all our questions in a timely manner.