The School District of Philadelphia  
Terms of Use of School District Data  

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4. No Endorsement. When creating any new applications, visualizations or other uses or projects based on the School District Data Sets or any data therein, the user and any person claiming by, through or under the user shall not and may not use any trademark, emblem, logo, seal or statement in any manner which implies the endorsement of the School district respecting such new application, visualization use, project or projects.

5. User’s Sole Responsibility. The user assumes sole responsibility for any and all applications, visualizations and other uses or projects created using the School District Data Sets or any data therein. The School District has no legal duty or responsibility, and no legal or other duty or obligation, to indemnify or otherwise protect the user or any other person, for any applications, visualizations or other uses or projects created using the School District Data Set or any data therein.

6. Removal of Data Sets and Data. The School District reserves the right to remove any School District Data Set or Sets or any data therein at any time and without prior notice to any user or any other person.

7. Modification of these Terms of Use. The School District reserves the right to modify these terms of use at any time and without any prior notice.

8. Notice. Users shall give notices and other communications required under these Terms of Use to:

    General Counsel
    The School District of Philadelphia
    The Education Center
    440 North Broad Street
    Suite 313
    Philadelphia, PA  19130-4015

    Telephone: (215) 400-4120
    Fax: (215) 400-4121

9. Indemnity. The user shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the School District, its officers, employees, agents and the members of the School Reform Commission and the Board of Education, from and against any and all losses, expenses, including, but not limited to, litigation and settlement costs and attorneys’ fees and costs, claims, suits, actions, damages, liability and expenses for or on account of actual or alleged personal injury or damage to property, that arise out of or are related to the use by the user of the School District Data Set or Sets or any data therein by the user or the user’s agents, subcontractors, assignees, independent contractors, employees or servants, or for or on account of actual or alleged violation of any third party’s copyright, trademark, patent, trade secret or other valid proprietary right, or any intentional acts or omissions, that may arise out of or are related to the use by the user of the School District Data Set or Sets or any data therein by the user or the user’s agents, subcontractors, assignees, independent contractors, employees or servants. If the user receives notice of a legal claim against it in connection with or in any way related to the School District Data Set or Sets or any data therein, or these Terms of Use, the user shall within five (5) business days of receipt of notice of the claim, give notice of such claim to the School District.

10. School District Immunities; Self-Insurance. Any other term, covenant or condition of these Terms of Use to the contrary notwithstanding, the School District, its officers, employees and agents, and the members of the School Reform Commission and the Board of Education, retain their statutory governmental, official and any other immunity provided pursuant to the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, including under 42 Pa. C.S.A. §§ 8501 and 8541 et seq., and do not waive the defenses of governmental and official immunity under these laws. The School District does not waive for itself or for its officers, employees, agents, or for the members of the School Reform Commission and Board of Education, any other defenses or immunities available to it or any of them. The
user acknowledges and agrees that the School District self-insures for liability purposes.

11. **Applicable Law; FERPA.** The user shall comply with all applicable law in connection with its use of any School District Data Set and any data therein, including but not limited to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C. § 1232g (“FERPA”). The School District does not intend to release any School District Data Set or any data therein in violation of FERPA and the license set forth above in these Terms of Use shall not extend to any release or releases, including the effect of successive releases, that may result in a violation of FERPA. The user acknowledges and agrees that federal law imposes sanctions for violations of federal law, including FERPA, respecting the privacy of individuals, including students and parents. The user shall not violate any such laws, including but not limited to FERPA.

12. **Definitions.** Capitalized terms used in these Terms of Use have the meanings specified in this section.

   a. **Applicable Law.** “Applicable Law” means and includes all federal, state, and local statutes, ordinances, resolutions and regulations, including the rules and regulations of any government authority, and School District rules, regulations and policies, applicable to the School District, the user and the use and license to use the School District Data Set and the data therein, and includes all applicable case law, court orders, injunctions and consent decrees. Applicable Law includes FERPA.

   b. **Person.** “Person” means any individual, association, partnership, limited partnership, joint venture, corporation, limited liability company or other form of entity or association recognized at law.

13. **Other Terms.**

   a. **Applicable Law; Venue.** These Terms of Use shall be construed and enforced under the law of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, regardless of its conflict of laws provisions, and without the aid of any canon, custom or rule of law requiring construction against the draftsman.

   b. **Severability.** If a court holds any term, covenant or condition of these Terms of Use invalid, such holding shall not affect or impair the validity of any other terms, covenants or conditions of these Terms of Use, which the user and the School District hereby deem severable and which shall remain in full force and effect.

   c. **Waiver.** No one shall or may find, hold or determine that a the School District has waived any term, covenant or condition set forth in these Terms of Use, unless the School District has set forth its waiver in a signed writing.

   d. **Entire Agreement; Amendment.** These Terms of Use constitute the entire agreement between the parties and supersede all prior and contemporaneous oral and written agreements and statements, all of which have been fully integrated herein. These Terms of Use also supersede any course of conduct, performance or dealing between the parties.