

**RELEASE OF STUDENT INFORMATION AUTHORIZATION FORM**

*(Act 605 of 2009)*

A student who receives any form of state-supported student financial assistance, as defined by Act 605 of 2009, must sign an authorization (see link below) indicating whether he/she authorizes the Department of Higher Education and/or SAU Tech to release his/her individual personal information listed below to the Bureau of Legislative Research.

(If a student is under the age of eighteen years old and is not legally emancipated, a parent or legal guardian shall complete the authorization form.)

For each student who authorizes the release of his/her individual personal information, the Bureau of Legislative Research will receive the following information:

1. A unique student identifier;
2. Status for Federal Pell grant;
3. Postsecondary grade point average;
4. Number of semester hours attempted;
5. Number of semester hours completed;
6. Gender, race, ethnicity, and age;
7. High school graduated from or General Educational Development test score;
8. High school grade point average; and
9. ACT score or ACT equivalent score, if available;
10. Academic progress information.

The Bureau of Legislative Research will collect this information for statistical analyses that will assist the Arkansas General Assembly in evaluating whether scholarships should be increased in number or amount, the need to change eligibility requirements, and the need for other changes to state-supported student financial assistance.

The Bureau of Legislative Research will not receive or release a student's name, social security number, or a student's or parent's income information.

**A decision to authorize or not to authorize the release of this information to the Bureau of Legislative Research WILL NOT impact a student's eligibility for state-supported student financial assistance, including the lottery-funded scholarship known as the Academic Challenge Scholarship. A student has the right to change their release of information option at any time in the future.**

**Click here to go to Campus Connect, log in and make your selection. The process will not be complete and you will not be eligible to receive aid until you log in to Campus Connect and make your selection.**