

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR THE ILLINOIS  
HIGHER EDUCATION DATABASE WAREHOUSE**

**Submitted for:** Action.

**Summary:** This item authorizes the Executive Director to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement for the development of the Illinois Higher Education Database Warehouse.

Public Act 096-0107, effective July 30, 2009, created the P-20 Longitudinal Education Data System (LDS) Act which authorized the Illinois Board of Higher Education to collect and maintain data from public universities and to disclose this data to the longitudinal data system for the purposes set forth in the Act. Per the Act, a data warehouse shall be established that integrates data from multiple student unit record systems and supports all of the uses and functions of the longitudinal data system set forth in the Act. The data warehouse must have the ability to integrate longitudinal data from early learning through the postsecondary level in accordance with one or more data sharing agreements entered into among the State Education Authorities (*i.e.*, Illinois Board of Higher Education, Illinois Community College Board, and Illinois State Board of Education). This Intergovernmental Agreement with the University of Illinois is for the development of the Illinois Higher Education Database Warehouse by the National Center for Supercomputing Applications (NCSA) at the University of Illinois to meet the requirements of the P-20 Longitudinal Education Data System (LDS) Act.

**Action Requested:** That the Illinois Board of Higher Education authorize the Executive Director to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the University of Illinois for the development of the Illinois Higher Education Database Warehouse.



STATE OF ILLINOIS  
BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION

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Over the past year, the Illinois Board of Higher Education staff has been working with staff and representatives from the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE), the Illinois Community College Board (ICCB), and the National Center for Supercomputing Applications (NCSA) at the University of Illinois to establish a temporary three-year partnership agreement with the University of Illinois for NCSA to establish a data warehouse for the purpose of collecting student record level data. This agreement between IBHE and the University of Illinois is to have NCSA establish data collection methodologies, develop the Illinois Higher Education Database Warehouse containing archived records from the Illinois Shared Enrollment and Graduation (ISEG) file as well as annual data submissions, and to prepare for its eventual transfer of the database to a permanent location and alternative service provider. This agreement will allow the agencies and NCSA to share information from longitudinal student data records in a manner consistent with the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and state privacy laws. The immediate aim of the data sharing agreement is to provide the data elements necessary to create the new High School Feedback Report, also known as the High School-to-College Success Report, required by Senate Joint Resolution 59 of the 2007 Illinois General Assembly. The long-term aim of the agreement is to lay out a model framework for future data sharing activities between the state education agencies and between the state agencies, their authorized representatives, and outside researchers and evaluators conducting non-commercial P-20 research. Such agreements will be necessary for the development and use of the state longitudinal data system authorized by Senate Bill 1828, the P-20 Longitudinal Education Data System Act.

At this time, the Intergovernmental and Data Sharing Agreement is still under final review and may be subject to minor technical changes. Because it is not yet final, staff recommends that the Board authorize the Executive Director to enter into the final agreement rather than approve the agreement in draft form.

The staff recommends adoption of the following resolution:

*The Illinois Board of Higher Education hereby authorizes the Executive Director to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the University of Illinois for the development of the Illinois Higher Education Database Warehouse.*

