

Destruction of Records:

Section 4 of the Illinois School Student Records Act provides:

Each school shall maintain student permanent records and the information contained therein for not less than 60 years after the student has transferred, graduated or otherwise permanently withdrawn from the school.

No school shall maintain any student temporary record or the information contained therein beyond its period of usefulness to the student and the school, and in no case longer than 5 years after the student has transferred, graduated or otherwise permanently withdrawn from the school.

Before any school student record is destroyed or information deleted there from, the parent shall be given reasonable prior notice in accordance with regulations adopted by the State Board and an opportunity to copy the record and information proposed to be destroyed or deleted.

Parent means a person who is the natural parent of the student or other person who has the primary responsibility for the care and upbringing of the student.

All rights and privileges accorded to a parent under this Act shall **become exclusively those of the student** upon his 18th birthday, graduation from secondary school, marriage or entry into the military service, whichever occurs first. Such rights and privileges may also be exercised by the student at any time with respect to the student's permanent school record.