



## Education Focused - Privacy Breach Database

### Malicious Computer Data Breaches

Hackers Compromise 160,000 Student Healthcare Records at Berkeley, Mills College

<http://www.securitymanagement.com/news/hackers-compromise-160000-student-healthcare-records-berkeley-mills-college-005621>

Hackers Steal Information for Over 70,000 Students/Alumni from Brock University

<http://www.cbc.ca/technology/story/2006/10/12/tech-brock.html>

Southern Connecticut State University Servers Compromised by Spam Operation Potentially Exposing the Data of 11,000 Students

[http://www.pcworld.com/businesscenter/article/145087/after\\_web\\_defacement\\_university\\_warns\\_of\\_data\\_breach.html](http://www.pcworld.com/businesscenter/article/145087/after_web_defacement_university_warns_of_data_breach.html)

Austin University Student Hacks in his School's Computer System, Accessing Over 50,000 Social Security Numbers & Other Data

<http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/9239576/>

Potentially 400,000 Student Records Breached When San Diego University Server Is Infiltrated

<http://attrition.org/dataloss/2004/03/sdsu01.html>

### Accidental Computer Data Breaches

Faculty Member at an Ohio University Accidentally Places Social Security & Grade Report Online – Data is Public for Over 3 Years before Being Noticed

[http://www.miami.muohio.edu/documents\\_and\\_policies/privacyhelp.cfm](http://www.miami.muohio.edu/documents_and_policies/privacyhelp.cfm)

A City College in Edmonton Accidentally Makes Student Data Available Online – Data Included Credit Cards, SIN Numbers, Signatures, Etc.

<http://attrition.org/dataloss/2007/10/macewan01.html>

Student Aid Records for 90 Individuals in Newfoundland were Publicly Exposed Due to a Security Hole in an Online Database

<http://www.cbc.ca/consumer/story/2008/09/08/student-breach-data.html>

Hundreds of McGill Student Academic Records Accidentally Made Public on School Website

<http://www.cbc.ca/canada/montreal/story/2007/04/27/mcgill-privacy.html>

Teacher in Manchester, England Accidentally E-Mails Attachment with Student & Employee Data to Hundreds of Other Students & Employees

<http://www.vbsnet.com/news/2009/04/30/ico-acts-on-student-privacy-breach.html>

Four University of Texas Professors Accidentally Posted the Private Data of Thousands of Student Online

<http://www.woai.com/content/news/newslinks/story/U-T-Students-Personal-Information-Accidentally/VQRtNfAc0WcWgWzVtMU1g.cspX>

Ryerson University Software Glitch Accidentally Posts Student Data Online – Issue Not Correct for Weeks after the School was Informed of the Breach

<http://www.itworldcanada.com/news/ryerson-privacy-breach-highlights-immature-it-analyst-says/109118>

Western University Exposes the Data of Over 1,000 Graduate Students - Data was Posted on an Unsecured Portion of Western's Website

[http://communications.uwo.ca/com/western\\_news/stories/western\\_apologizes\\_for\\_privacy\\_breach\\_20051027434109/](http://communications.uwo.ca/com/western_news/stories/western_apologizes_for_privacy_breach_20051027434109/)

## **Malicious Physical Document & Data Breaches**

Laptop with the Data of Over 98,000 Students Stolen from the Graduate Admissions Office of Berkeley University

[http://www.channelregister.co.uk/2005/09/16/berkeley\\_laptop\\_theft\\_arrest/](http://www.channelregister.co.uk/2005/09/16/berkeley_laptop_theft_arrest/)

Newfoundland School Board Found in Violation of Privacy Laws After Stolen Laptop Exposed the Records of 28,000 Students

<http://www.cbc.ca/canada/newfoundland-labrador/story/2008/07/25/school-theft-privacy.html>

Entire Student Roll at College in Nassau New York Stolen from Administrative Office – Over 21,000 Students Affected

<http://attrition.org/dataloss/2006/12/nassau01.html>

Two University of Alberta Hospital Laptops Stolen – Over 300,000 Affected

<http://www.cbc.ca/canada/edmonton/story/2009/06/24/edmonton-laptop-theft.html>

## **Accidental Physical Document & Data Breaches**

Sensitive Student Information Found Along Road from Nashville, TN High School  
(*Video Report Included*)

<http://www.wsmv.com/news/18966430/detail.html>

Keller, TX High School Mails Incorrectly Addressed Private Data to Hundreds of Students

<http://datalossdb.org/archives/1099/2121/index.txt>

New York City School Accidentally Leaves 12 Boxes of Student Records on Curb

<http://query.nytimes.com/gst/fullpage.html?res=9F0DE4DD143EF937A15752C1A9629C8B63>

Tennessee State University Employee Misplaces Flash Drive with Social Security Data Of Over 9,000 Students

<http://www.wsmv.com/education/17464384/detail.html>

College Student Data Intended to be Shredded is Discovered Off-Campus

<http://attrition.org/dataloss/2005/08/and01.html>

Hard Drive at Colorado University Goes Missing – Potentially Exposing 15,790 Students

<http://www.jrrobertssecurity.com/security-news/security-crime-news0028.htm>

## **Visual Privacy**

Story about Teacher in Quebec Negatively Affected by Cell Phone Video of Her Posted on YouTube by Students

<http://www.cbc.ca/canada/ottawa/story/2006/11/24/you-tube.html>

Stanford University Fights for Privacy Rights of Student Pictures Posted Online

<http://www.sfgate.com/cgi-in/article.cgi?f=/c/a/1999/09/23/MN55114.DTL&type=printable>

Article on Benefits and Perils of Video Cameras on School Buses

<http://www.westmountexaminer.com/article-cp80346034-School-buses-may-be-wired-for-surveillance-privacy-experts-warn-of-perils.html>

English Newspaper is Censured for Posting Student Photos Online Without Permission

<http://www.timesonline.co.uk/tol/news/uk/article2260869.ece>

Article on the Quebec Student Known as the “Light-Sabre Kid”

[http://www.ctv.ca/servlet/ArticleNews/story/CTVNews/20090318/online\\_privacy\\_090318/20090318?hub=SciTech](http://www.ctv.ca/servlet/ArticleNews/story/CTVNews/20090318/online_privacy_090318/20090318?hub=SciTech)

## **Anonymous Information**

City of Regina Accidentally Gives Out Extraneous Data to Outside Researchers Exposing Thousands

<http://www.cbc.ca/canada/saskatchewan/story/2009/02/11/regina-information.html>

YouTube and Viacom Agree to Mask Viewer Data

[http://www.usatoday.com/tech/products/2008-07-15-2584242500\\_x.htm](http://www.usatoday.com/tech/products/2008-07-15-2584242500_x.htm)

## **Data Storage Locations**

An Article on Google, Lakehead University and Their Connection to the U.S. Patriot Act

<http://www.theglobeandmail.com/news/technology/article675014.ece>

CBC Article on Health Records Vs. The Patriot Act

<http://www.cbc.ca/health/story/2008/05/05/fhealth-digitalrecords.html>

## **Additional Resources**

### **Data Loss Database**

*Searchable Database of over 2 million privacy breaches from across the world.*

<http://datalossdb.org>

**Privacy Rights Clearinghouse**

*Chronological Database of Hundreds of Privacy Breaches*

<http://www.privacyrights.org/ar/ChronDataBreaches.htm>

**IPC**

*Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario*

<http://www.ipc.on.ca>