For this assignment, I examined the privacy policy and end-user license agreement for Pupil Path. Pupil Path/Skedula is an online gradebook and student information system that is used for all students at my school.

The EULA and privacy policy are not that confusing to me, but what is confusing is the corporate structure of Pupil Path / Skedula / CaseNEX / Illuminate Education. The EULA/PP for Skedula is at the CaseNEX site, but CaseNEX is "powered by" Illuminate Education. My best guess is that Pupil Path / Skedula are brands that were owned by a company called CaseNEX. Then CaseNEX was bought by Illuminate. It's interesting to notice that the policies I reviewed have not been updated since 2008.

As a parent, I would be comfortable with my child using this system, and as a student, I would be comfortable as well. At this point so much of my data is collected and shared so widely that this additional data will not make a difference in my overall "data exposure."

The guide below is something I might share with parents. My goal was to make it as simple to understand as possible, even if that simplicity sometimes came at the expense of exactness. For example, I left out mention of what will happen to the data if CaseNEX is acquired by another company (which, I actually think it has been!).

WHAT HAPPENS TO INFORMATION ABOUT MY CHILD?

Columbia Secondary School uses Skedula / Pupil Path to organize academic information about its students. We also use it to communicate with families about a student's academic progress. This means that confidential academic and personal information about students and their families is stored on computers outside of CSS. The purpose of this document is to help you understand how the information about a student that is stored on Skedula might be viewed and used outside of CSS.

Who outside CSS can see the information?

- Employees at CaseNEX, which is the company that administers Skedula / Pupil Path;
- Employees at other businesses that CaseNEX shares this information with.

What information is stored?

- Personal information, like address, phone number, email address, photo;
- Demographic information, like language spoken at home;
- Previous schools attended, report cards, and standardized test scores;
- Attendance records;
- Disciplinary records;
- All grades on all assignments;
- All messages sent/received through the site;
- Any academic work submitted through the site;
- Anonymous details of how you use the site, such as what you click and when.

Where is the information stored?

 This information is not included in the CaseNEX user agreement or privacy policy.
The information might be stored in a data center anywhere in the world.

When is the information deleted?

When you contact them to request this.
However, this does not remove the information from anyone Skedula has already shared it with.

How does Skedula use this information?

- It may be sent to Skedula's business partners, so that they can run and continue to develop the website;
- It may be used to comply with the law—for example, to respond to a subpoena;
- School assignments submitted on the website may be used "in any manner whatsoever;"
- Your demographic information might be combined together with others' and shared.

What are my choices?

- Because we copy information from NYC DOE systems onto Skedula, it is not possible for all of a child's information to be removed from the site.
- You may make individual arrangements with teachers for how they will record / report assignment grades for your child. Please note this may result in receiving less detailed and less frequent updates about your child's academic standing.
- You can read more at http://www.casenex.com/casenet/ frontPages/cnexEulaAndPp/