

Student Complaint Information by State and Agency – as of January 2026

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<https://wcetsan.wiche.edu/resources/student-complaint-information-state-and-agency>

State	Agency Name	Link to and/or Information about Complaint Process (for in-state complaints and activities outside of SARA)
Alabama	ACCS Private School Licensing Division	https://www.accs.edu/about-accs/private-school-licensure/complaints/ - *note: Complaints for out-of-state institutions are referred to the ACCS Private School Licensure.
Alaska	Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education	https://acpe.alaska.gov/ConsumerProtection
American Samoa		Not found
Arizona	Arizona State Board for Private Postsecondary Education	https://ppse.az.gov/student-complaint-procedure
Arkansas	Arkansas Department of Higher Education	Student Grievance form: https://adhe.edu/students-parents/student-grievance-form
California	Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education	for CA-based programs (regulated by BPPE): http://www.bppe.ca.gov/enforcement/complaint.shtml For OH, WA, or NH-based programs (not subject to BPPE): https://www.dca.ca.gov/consumers/complaints/oos_students.shtml
Colorado	Colorado Department of Higher Education	https://cdhe.colorado.gov/students/how-do-i/filing-a-student-complaint
Connecticut	Office of Financial and Academic	https://www.ohe.ct.gov/StudentComplaints.shtml

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Delaware	Delaware Department of Education	Student complaint inquiry form: https://education.delaware.gov/families/college-career-life/college-scholarship-financial-aid/dheo-forms/student-complaint-inquiry-form/
District of Columbia	Education Licensure Commission	https://helc.osse.dc.gov/topic/helcadmin/community-stakeholders/public-complaints
Federated States of Micronesia		Not found
Florida	Commission for Independent Education Department of Education	https://www.fldoe.org/schools/higher-ed/fl-college-system/about-us/concerns-complaints.shtml
Georgia	Nonpublic Postsecondary Education Commission	https://gnpec.georgia.gov/student-complaints
Guam		Not found
Hawaii	Hawaii Post-Secondary Education Authorization Program	https://cca.hawaii.gov/hpeap/student-complaint-process/
Idaho	Idaho State Board of Education	https://boardofed.idaho.gov/higher-education-private/private-colleges-degree-granting/student-complaint-procedures/
Illinois	Illinois Board of Higher Education	https://complaints.ibhe.org/
Indiana	Indiana Commission of Higher Education	https://www.in.gov/che/2744.htm

Iowa	Iowa College Student Aid Commission	https://educate.iowa.gov/higher-ed/student-complaints
Kansas	Kansas Board of Regents	https://www.kansasregents.org/academic_affairs/private_out_of_state/complaint_process
Kentucky	Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education	http://cpe.ky.gov/campuses/consumer_complaint.html
Louisiana	Louisiana Board of Regents	https://www.laregents.edu/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/StudentComplaintProcedure_ProcessGuide2022-23.pdf (PDF)
Maine	Maine Department of Education	No Complaint Process found on state agency website for institutions authorized by Maine but not related to reciprocity. Only State of Maine Complaint Form (PDF) . SARA complaint link offered.
Maryland	Maryland Higher Education Commission	https://mhec.maryland.gov/institutions_training/Pages/acadaff/acadaffairsdepartments.aspx - Scroll down to complaint process and form pdfs.
Massachusetts	Massachusetts Department of Higher Education	https://www.mass.edu/forstufam/complaints/complaints.asp
Michigan	Michigan Department of Labor & Economic Opportunity	https://www.michigan.gov/leo/-/media/Project/Websites/leo/Documents/WD/Programs_Services/PSS/Post-Secondary_Complaint_Instructions_FINAL_08172023.pdf?rev=fabcd847affa4ccc97e1d70af8cd280c&hash=C73147436111AB986CBE49019BB152BE Post-Secondary Schools Complaints Filing a Complaint
Minnesota	Minnesota Office of Higher Education	http://www.ohe.state.mn.us/mPg.cfm?pageID=1078
Mississippi	Mississippi Commission on College Accreditation	https://www.mississippi.edu/sites/default/files/ihl/files/mccastudentcomplaintform.pdf (PDF)

Mississippi	Commission on Proprietary School and College Registration	https://www.mccb.edu/cpscr-complaints
Missouri	Missouri Department of Higher Education	https://dhewd.mo.gov/media/pdf/complaint-resolution-policy
Montana	Montana University System, Montana Board of Regents	http://www.mus.edu/MUS-statement-of-complaint-process.asp
Nebraska	Nebraska Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education	https://ccpe.nebraska.gov/student-complaints-against-postsecondary-institutions
Nevada	Nevada Commission on Postsecondary Education	http://cpe.nv.gov/Students/Students_Home/ Note the Student Complaint under forms on right hand side.
New Hampshire	Department of Education, Division of Higher Education, Higher Education Commission	https://my.doe.nh.gov/ESSWEB/HigherEducation/Complaint.aspx
New Jersey	Office of the Secretary of Higher Education	http://www.state.nj.us/highereducation/OSHEComplaintInstructions.shtml

New Mexico	New Mexico Higher Education Department	https://hed.nm.gov/students-parents/student-complaints
New York	Office of College and University Evaluation	http://www.nysed.gov/college-university-evaluation/filing-complaint-about-college-or-university
North Carolina	The University of North Carolina System	https://www.northcarolina.edu/post-secondary-education-complaints/
North Dakota	North Dakota University System	https://ndus.edu/state-authorization-sara/
Northern Marianas Islands		Not found

Ohio	The Ohio Department of Higher Education	https://highered.ohio.gov/students/current-college-students/student-complaints/student-complaints
Oklahoma	Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education	https://www.okhighered.org/resources/student-complaint-form/
Oregon	Higher Education Coordinating Commission	https://www.oregon.gov/highered/about/Pages/complaints.aspx
Pennsylvania	Department of Education	https://www.education.pa.gov/Postsecondary-Adult/CollegeCareer/Pages/Students-Complaints.aspx
Puerto Rico	Puerto Rico Council on Education	http://www.ce.pr.gov/ https://agencias.pr.gov/agencias/cepr/Documents/SARA Complaint Process%202022.pdf

Republic of Palau		Not found
Republic of the Marshall Islands		Not found
Rhode Island	Rhode Island Office of Post Secondary Commissioner	https://riopc.edu/policies/student-complaint-procedures/
South Carolina	South Carolina Commission on Higher Education	https://che.sc.gov/sites/che/files/Documents/Institutions%20and%20Educators/Complaint_Procedures_and_Form.pdf (PDF)
South Dakota	Secretary of State (South Dakota Attorney General)	https://consumer.sd.gov/complaintform.aspx

Tennessee	Tennessee Higher Education Commission	https://www.tn.gov/thec/archived/bureaus/student-aid-and-compliance/postsecondary-state-authorization/request-for-complaint-review.html
Texas	Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board	https://www.highered.texas.gov/student-complaints/
U.S. Virgin Islands		Call (340) 774-2810 to reach the Virgin Islands Department of Education regarding student complaints.
Utah	Utah Division of Consumer Protection	https://services.dcp.utah.gov/s/
Vermont	Vermont Agency of Education	https://education.vermont.gov/documents/postsecondary-program-complaint-resolution

Virginia	State Council of Higher Education for Virginia	https://www.schev.edu/students/resources/student-complaints
Washington	Washington Student Achievement Council	https://wsac.wa.gov/student-complaints
West Virginia	WV Higher Educ. Policy Commission	http://www.wvhepc.edu/wp-content/uploads/2014/10/Student-Complaint-Process-revised.pdf
Wisconsin	Wisconsin Educational Approval Board	https://dsps.wi.gov/Pages/Programs/EducationalApproval/EAPFileAComplaint.aspx
Wyoming	Wyoming Department of Education	https://edu.wyoming.gov/?s=student+complaint+process