

Kimberly School District #414
REGULAR BOARD MEETING FY25

THURSDAY, MARCH 20, 2025

ITEM# 12B4 POWERSCHOOL CLASS ACTION LAWSUIT

The Kimberly School District Board of Trustees may consider joining a lawsuit in response to the recent PowerSchool data breach, which impacted school districts across the country. This breach, which occurred in December 2024, involved unauthorized access to student and staff personal information. PowerSchool has confirmed that sensitive data, including names, addresses, Social Security numbers, and academic records, was compromised.

The proposed lawsuit, led by the Frantz Law Group, seeks to hold PowerSchool accountable for failing to protect private information and for delays in notifying affected districts. The lawsuit aims to:

1. **Recover Costs** – Seek reimbursement for expenses related to responding to the breach, including staff time, security upgrades, and potential costs of changing platforms.
2. **Ensure Future Protection** – Push for stronger cybersecurity measures to prevent future breaches.
3. **Seek Compensation for Breach of Contract** – Argue that PowerSchool did not fulfill its contractual obligations to districts regarding data security.
4. **Obtain Legal Indemnification** – Protect school districts from future claims or lawsuits that may arise due to the breach.