

TechHeights Update on Oklahoma Student Loan Authority Data Breach

Oklahoma Student Loan Authority: The breach occurred in June when an intruder gained access to web portal to get sensitive information of 2,501,324 individuals.



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If you have a student loan, you may be
concerned about a recent data breach

at the Oklahoma Student Loan Authority. This hack is believed to have affected millions of people. A security vulnerability identified by the vendor Nelnet allowed unauthorized third parties to access information related to student loan accounts. The breach is believed to have occurred this summer and lasted nearly two months.

The Oklahoma Student Loan Authority and EdFinancial are notifying loanees. The breach occurred in June when an unknown intruder gained access to a web portal. The hackers used this vulnerability to access sensitive personal information and were able to obtain the personal information of 2,501,324 individuals.

The breach has prompted an investigation, and the vendor has taken immediate steps to secure the information system. The vendor blocked suspicious activity, fixed the vulnerability, and began an investigation with third-party forensic experts. The vendor has also notified law enforcement and the federal Department of Education. It offers free credit monitoring and identity theft protection to borrowers who have suffered data loss due to the breach.

After the Oklahoma Student Loan Authority and EdFinancial learned about the breach, the [cybersecurity team](#) immediately began working to secure the system and prevent unauthorized access. The cybersecurity team blocked suspicious activity and launched an investigation with forensic experts. Although the breach did not affect the loans of borrowers directly, the cybersecurity team found the information was accessed by bad actors. The bad actors were able to access the personal information of loanees and took it with them. The organization has notified law enforcement and launched an investigation.

The lesson to be learned is that Cybersecurity is a crucial component of running a successful business. Without a secure infrastructure, a company could face the loss of millions of dollars in lost productivity. Not to mention, customers could become concerned about the security of their information. Fortunately, IT security providers like TechHeights can help businesses protect their data and maintain their integrity. They can design and implement customized [IT security solutions](#) and provide 24x7 emergency support. They can also help you implement a business continuity and disaster recovery plan.

This [Managed IT Services provider in Orange County](#) has come up with different ways to prevent cyber-attacks, which include:

- * Cybersecurity training for the staff
- * Ensuring endpoint protection using (EDR) Extended Detection and Response
- * Performing periodic Vulnerability Assessments
- * Multi-Factor authentication to secure email and remote access for the users
- * Email Hygiene Services to protect users from phishing
- * Protecting your cloud resources using WAF
- * Security Operations Center to collect logs and monitor all the systems
- * Keeping Backup of the data and, most important,
- * Privileged Access Manager for controlling who can access your system and who can't.

With the data breach, it was unimaginable how much vulnerability it had caused. Continuous monitoring and updating the management is just as crucial now. IT support in orange county can help you secure your network and prevent cyber attacks.

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