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The company's privacy policy states that users do not have to agree to have their data collected before it happens but, instead, explains how Microsoft collects data from you through your use of the company's products and that users have some control over how their data is used by making specific choices regarding the data collected about them or their use of Microsoft products. As an example, users may opt-out of personalized advertising by using Microsoft's opt-out page and the company will recognize browser signals that indicate a preference for this opt-out.

The privacy policy does include a children's section. It states that for users who are below the minimum age required to use our services (for example, children under 13 years old in the U.S. or as required by applicable local law), either Microsoft will deny access or will require prior consent from a parent before they may establish a user account, access, or utilize Microsoft services. After a parent has given consent to establish a user account, that account will be subject to all the same rules as any other; i.e., the parent will be able to manage or revoke consent; and the parent can view or delete all of their child's information from within Microsoft Family Safety solutions.

The privacy policy does not contain any detailed information regarding what will happen to your information when Microsoft goes out of business or if they are sold to another company. There are no explicit statements within the online privacy policy regarding data being shared in that type of situation.

Navigating Microsoft's privacy statement can be difficult to read, for some people, due to several technical sections, however, it is still a very thorough document. The most important sections relate to how long data is stored and how it is shared between users, with the second area being especially important as you must read very carefully in order to understand your rights as a user. Microsoft's privacy policy is very useful; however, should consider a more simplified version of their privacy policy so that all users can better understand it.

**Source:** <https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/privacy/privacystatement>