Copyright

Cabrillo College recognizes the importance of providing appropriate print, non-print and software resources in support of the instructional program. The Governing Board also recognizes that violations of Federal Copyright Law contribute to increased costs and reduce incentives for the development of good educational programs. Therefore, in an effort to discourage violation of the copyright law and to prevent such illegal activities from occurring in facilities utilizing equipment under college control, it is the policy of Cabrillo College to adhere to the print, non-print and computer software provisions of the United States Copyright Law.

District employees will be informed that they are expected to adhere to section 117 of the 1976 Copyright act as amended, governing use of copyright materials.

Supervisors are responsible for establishing practices which will enforce copyright law. Employees found to be in willful infringement of the law may be subject to disciplinary action.

In no case shall any employee or student use Cabrillo College equipment for duplication or playback which might prevent or circumvent the sale of materials by the copyright owner.

The Vice President, Administrative Services, or designee is designated as the only individual who may sign license agreements for Cabrillo College purchases. All licensing agreements signed by the Vice President, Administrative Services, or designee shall have prior approval of the Superintendent/President or the program administrator of the program requesting the license.

In the absence of the determination and advice or in the event that permission has not been first requested by the faculty member, no defense or indemnification by the college shall be provided to a faculty or staff member who knowingly infringes the copyright law.

Legal Reference: Title 17, United States Code, [1/1/1978]; and amendments to Section 117 of Title 17 per Public Law 96-517 [12/12/1980].

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