



## Copyright

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### 1.0 Copyright Objective and Responsibilities

As a college devoted to providing high quality education to students, Columbia Basin College (“CBC” or the “College”) is committed to respecting the rights of copyright holders and complying with the letter and spirit of copyright laws. Though modern technological developments (computers, photocopiers, facsimile machines, digital scanners, etc.) have made infringement of copyrights easy and even common place in our society, CBC expects all students, faculty, and staff members to comply with applicable federal, state, and local laws governing copyrighted material. CBC also recognizes that the exclusive rights of copyright holders are balanced by limitations on those rights under federal copyright laws, including the right to make fair use of copyrighted materials and the right to perform or display works in the course of face-to-face teaching activities.

CBC facilitates compliance with copyright laws and, where appropriate, the exercise in good faith of full fair use rights by faculty and staff in teaching, research, and service activities.

Specifically, the College:

- 1.1 Informs and educates students, faculty, and staff about copyright law including the limited exclusive rights of copyright holders as set forth in 17 U.S.C. § 106, the application of the four fair use factors in 17 U.S.C. § 107, and other copyright exceptions;
- 1.2 Develops and makes available tools and resources for faculty and staff to assist in determining copyright status and ownership and determining whether use of work in a specific situation would be allowed under copyright law provisions such as fair use and, therefore, not an infringement under copyright laws; and
- 1.3 Identifies individuals at the College and member institutions who can counsel faculty and staff regarding application of copyright laws.