

## **Policy 1166 – Copyright Law**

It is the intent of Barton County Community College to support academic freedom while complying with all applicable [copyright](#) laws (U.S. Copyright Law of 1976) and provisions thereof, including those pertaining to [Fair Use](#), [TEACH](#) (Technology, Education and Copyright Harmonization) Act, and the [DMCA](#) (Digital Millennium Copyright Act).

Barton County Community College will comply with the requirements of the TEACH Act by the following:

1. Barton County Community College is an accredited nonprofit institution.
2. Barton County Community College has a copyright policy for students, educators, and staff in place.
3. The college will provide informational materials regarding copyright law.
4. Notice to students about copyright implications of course materials will be provided electronically (course shell) and/or print (on materials distributed in class).
5. Content is to be available to enrolled students for that specific course.

Barton employees may temporarily copy or digitize legally acquired materials for face-to-face- or online instruction as long as the material is not otherwise available for purchase or licensing as a multi-user as instructional tool such as a textbook, workbook, electronic module, software or course packet.

Barton students meeting the threshold of Barton's Copyright Law Policy are reminded they still need to adhere to Barton's Academic Integrity Policy and Procedure for attribution of materials through citation. Violation of U.S. Copyright Law is defined as a criminal offense (See #10) in procedure [2611 - Student Code of Conduct](#).

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