

# Copyright Statement

The libraries of the Brownwood Independent School District strive to follow the copyright guidelines as outlined by the United States Government Title 17 of the United States Code:

“§ 107: Limitations on exclusive rights: Fair use

Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 106 and 106A, the fair use of a copyrighted work, including such use by reproduction in copies or phonorecords or by any other means

specified by that section, for purposes such as criticism, comment, news reporting, teaching

(including multiple copies for classroom use), scholarship, or research, is not an infringement of copyright. In determining whether the use made of a work in any particular

case is a fair use the factors to be considered shall include —

(1) the purpose and character of the use, including whether such use is of a commercial nature or is for nonprofit educational purposes;

(2) the nature of the copyrighted work;

(3) the amount and substantiality of the portion used in relation to the copyrighted work as a whole; and

(4) the effect of the use upon the potential market for or value of the copyrighted work.

The fact that a work is unpublished shall not itself bar a finding of fair use if such finding is

made upon consideration of all the above factors.”

<http://www.copyright.gov/title17/92chap1.html#107>

## Classroom Use of Videos

Classroom use of a copyrighted video is permissible only when all of the following conditions are met:

- \* The performance must be by instructors or by pupils.
- \* The performance is in connection with face-to-face teaching activities.
- \* The entire audience is involved in the teaching activity.
- \* The entire audience is in the same room or same general area.
- \* The teaching activities are conducted by a non-profit education institution.
- \* The performance takes place in a classroom or similar place devoted to instruction.
- \* The person responsible for the performance has no reason to believe that the videotape was unlawfully made.