

Lancaster Community School District

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Guidelines have been drawn to help interpret the law.

LEGAL REF.: Section 943.70 Wisconsin Statutes
PL 94-553 Federal Copyright Law
PL 105-304 Digital Millennium Copyright Act
PL 105-278 Copyright Term Extension Act

CROSS REF.: 363.1 Student computer/Network Use Policy
363.2 Student Internet/Email Use
363.2-Rule Guidelines for Student Internet/Email Use
521.3 Staff Computer/Network Use
521.4 Staff Internet/Email Use

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