RESPONSIBLE ACQUISITION AND USE OF COMPUTING   Effective November 18, 2021
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(A)   This policy applies to all authorized users of Columbus State computing resources, whether affiliated with the College or not, and to users of those resources, whether on College leased or owned property or from remote locations.

(B)   Computing resources include technology that stores, processes or transmits data/information. Examples include, but are not limited to, desktop computers, tablets, laptop computers, cell phones, desk and conference phones, hotspots, network equipment, servers, uninterruptible power supplies, power supplies, projectors, displays, audio equipment, cables, control panels, storage devices, cameras, radios, scanners, printers, software, cloud services and instructional technology.

(C)   As a part of the educational, physical and social learning infrastructure, Columbus State acquires, develops and maintains computing resources. These resources are intended for College-related purposes, including direct and indirect support of the College's instruction, research and service missions; of Columbus State administrative functions; of student and campus life activities; and of the free exchange of ideas among members of the College community and between the College community and the local, national and world communities.

(D)   While the rights of free expression and academic freedom apply to the use of College computing resources, authorized users also must use computing resources in a responsible, ethical and legal manner in accordance with all applicable laws and College policies and procedures.

(E)   The College's presence on the web is intended to provide information and services in a timely and accurate manner to all users and visitors. Authorized users and contributors must follow appropriate web presence standards when sharing or posting information.

(F)   Computing resources include equipment or services, such as cloud computing, that provide services, platforms and infrastructure support for a wide range of business and academic related activities, may present significant data management risks and are subject to changes in risk with or without notice. Authorized acquisition and use of computing resources such as cloud computing services requires approval and adherence to applicable College policies and procedures.

(G)   The President may establish procedure(s) to administer this policy.

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