

**Rancho Santiago Community College District**  
**BOARD POLICY**  
Chapter 6  
Business and Fiscal Affairs

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**BP 6507 Information Technology Services – Copyright of Software**

Unauthorized copying of software is illegal. Copyright law protects software authors and publishers, just as patent law protects inventors.

Unauthorized copying of software by individuals can harm the entire academic community. If unauthorized copying proliferates on a campus, the institution may incur legal liability.

Unauthorized copying of software is a violation of district policies.

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