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TITLE: Accessible Information Technology Policy

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Whatcom Community College is committed to providing equal access to information and technology for students, faculty, staff, and community members. Thus, the College shall make every reasonable effort to purchase, implement, and maintain information technology that meets minimum accessibility standards in compliance with federal and state laws, including but not limited to Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The College will maintain a publicly posted accessibility plan identifying non-accessible information technology and alternative methods of access and actions being taken to correct unresolved accessibility issues. Information technology includes software, web content, online course content, and other materials as identified in Policy 188 from the Washington State Office of the Chief Information Officer. The president shall appoint an information technology accessibility coordinator to serve as the key point of contact regarding the College's accessibility plan.

Information technology purchased by the College shall follow the accessibility review and purchasing process as described in college Procedure 745.

