

GENERAL INSTITUTION

BP 3725 Accessibility of Electronic and Information Technology & Acceptable Use

References:

- Government Code Sections 7405, 11135, and 11546.7;
- Section 504, Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S. Code Section 701);
- Section 508, Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Federal Electronic and Information Technology) (29 U.S. Code Section 794d);
- 36 Code of Federal Regulations Parts 1194.1 et seq.

It is the policy of the Palomar Community College District to provide access to District programs, courses, and services to individuals with disabilities to the fullest reasonable extent possible, as guaranteed by Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, and the Americans with Disabilities Amendments Act of 2008.

Palomar Community College District recognizes that Section 508 has two distinct areas: Access to Electronic and Information Technology and Access to Programs, Courses, and Services.

- I. Access to Electronic and Information Technology (EIT) includes:
 - a. Procurement of EIT
 - b. Accessibility of computer stations/computer labs, and
 - c. Accessibility of College District websites.

- II. Access to programs, courses, and services includes:
 - a. Accessibility of Web Enhanced Instruction, including Distance Education courses
 - b. Accessibility of all informational or instructional video media, and
 - c. Providing accessibility with Alternate Media Formats.

In order for Palomar Community College District to meet and exceed its responsibility, the Superintendent/President shall create administrative procedures that set forth minimum standards for Section 508 accessibility.

The Governing Board shall ensure equal access to instructional materials and EIT for all and particularly for individuals with disabilities, in a timely manner.

As it relates to equally effective alternative access to instructional materials and EIT, timely manner means that the individual with a disability receives access to the instructional materials or EIT at the same time as an individual without a disability.

Also see BP/AP 3410 Nondiscrimination, BP/AP 3720 Computer and Network Use, AP 3725 Accessibility and Acceptable Use, BP/AP 5140 Disabled Student Programs and Services, and AP 6365 Contracts – Accessibility of Information Technology.