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**STUDENT ORGANIZATION MEDIA COPYRIGHT POLICIES**

Often student organizations wish to include different types of media in their events. Before attempting to do so, the law requires that individuals consider all copyright ownership rights. Media includes works done in print, video, music, or any other format.

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