

Alexandria School of Scientific Therapeutics

Anti-Piracy Plan

Higher Education Opportunity Act:

The Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2008 (HEOA) (Pub. L. 110-315) added provisions to the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended, (HEA) requiring institutions to take steps to combat the unauthorized distribution of copyrighted materials through illegal downloading or peer-to-peer distribution of intellectual property. As a condition of participation in any Title IV, HEA program all institutions must develop and implement a written plan.

Technology-Based Deterrents:

The Alexandria School of Scientific Therapeutics, Inc. has rules against any student bringing into class any electronic devices (i.e. laptops, mp3 players, electronic games, etc.) with the exceptions of tape recorders to record lectures and cell phones. The rules also state all cell phones must be turned into the instructor and only used during authorized breaks and lunch time.

All computers in our institution are for employees only. In extreme circumstances a student will be allowed to have use of a computer but only with employee supervision. All our computers require a password to utilize.

If any student is found trying to use an institutional computer or bring in their own computer or other electronics they will be given a verbal warning and in the case of their own computer they will be asked to remove the laptop and place it in their vehicle. If a second incident occurs the student could be dropped from the program for insubordination.

Copyrighted Material:

We do not approve of any type of copyright infringements, including the download of music and movies.

The Alexandria School of Scientific Therapeutics, Inc. owns copyrighted materials that include:

1. Swedish Massage Therapy Charts and Sequences
2. Pfrimmer Deep Muscle Therapy Charts and Sequences

If a student or graduate is found to be teaching or sharing the above copyrighted items they will first receive a Cease and Desist letter. The offender will then have 30 calendar days to provide proof that they have stopped teaching and/or sharing the above items. If the offender chooses to continue teaching and/or sharing the above items, the Alexandria School of Scientific Therapeutics, Inc. will file copyright infringement charges.

Summary of Civil and Criminal Penalties for Violation of Federal Copyright Laws:

Copyright infringement is the act of exercising, without permission or legal authority, one or more of the exclusive rights granted to the copyright owner under section 106 of the Copyright Act (Title 17 of the United States Code). These rights include the right to reproduce or distribute a copyrighted work. In the file-sharing context, downloading or uploading substantial parts of a copyrighted work without authority constitutes an infringement.

Penalties for copyright infringement include civil and criminal penalties. In general, anyone found liable for civil copyright infringement may be ordered to pay either actual damage or “statutory” damages affixed at not less than \$750 and not more than \$30,000 per work infringed. For “willful” infringement, a court may award up to \$150,000 per work infringed. A court can, in its discretion, also assess costs and attorneys’ fees. For details, see Title 17, United States Code, Sections 504, 505.

Willful copyright infringement can also result in criminal penalties, including imprisonment of up to five years and fines of up to \$250,000 per offense.

For more information, please see the Web site of the U.S. Copyright Office at www.copyright.gov, especially their FAQ’s at www.copyright.gov/help/faq.

Additional Information:

This information will be reviewed yearly and included in each student’s Introductory Binder, posted on our website at www.assti.com under Disclosure Information, and copies will be available in our office upon request.