Caption This!

Accessibility Law and Providing Captioning Services in Your Library



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The rising STAR of Texas

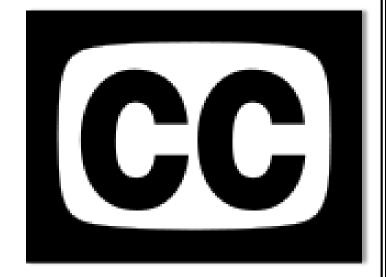


Coming up:

- Introduction
 - Captions and subtitles: What's the difference?
 - Who needs captions?
 - Why caption?
- Captioning and the Law
 - Accessibility requirements
 - The law and its impact



- Setting policy and establishing practice
- Licensing
- Budget decisions
- Maintaining the program
- **Workflows at Texas State University Libraries**





Subtitles vs Captions

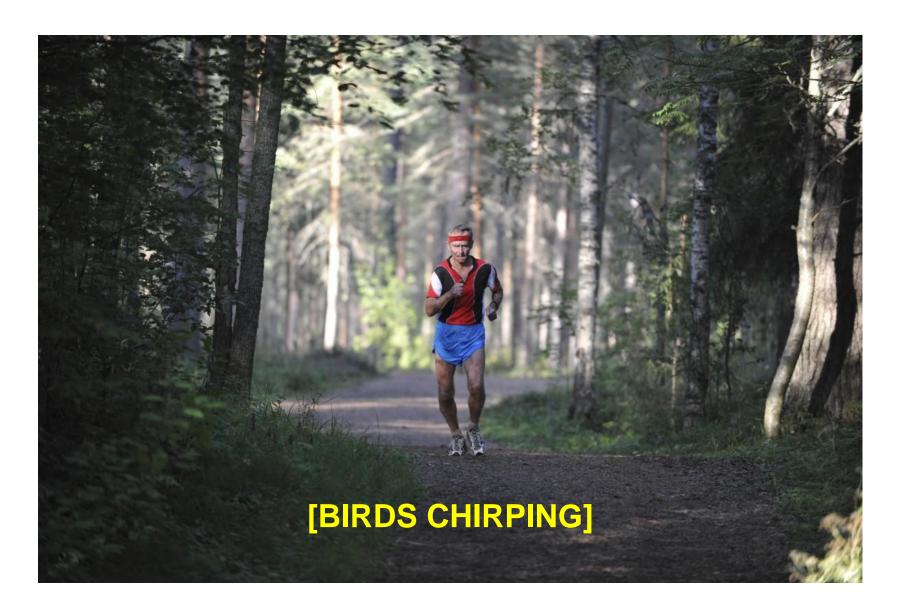


- Written dialogue only
- Translations of dialogue

- Dialogue + descriptive elements of sound
 - Ambient noise
 - Music notes and lyrics
 - Adds depth and emphasis to the scene
 - Provides context to some actions



Depth, emphasis and...





...context!

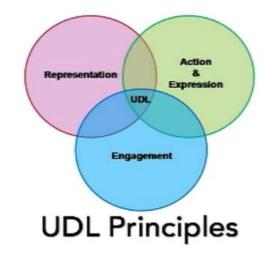




Support for the hearing impaired... AND MORE

- Auditory processing disorder
 - Auditory dyslexia
- ADD/ADHD
- Language processing disorder





- English as a second language
- Alternative modes of learning
 - visual vs auditory and tactile
- Supports Universal Design for Learning principles



Why Caption?

- Supports our goal of inclusiveness
- Supports our goal of accessibility
- Meets legal standards





Federal Law & Accessibility Standards

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Why Captions? Because it's the law.

"Under [the ADA and 504], public accommodations must furnish appropriate auxiliary aids and services where necessary for effective communication ... 42 U.S.C.§12182(b)(2)(A)(iii); 28 C.F.R. § 36.303. Auxiliary aids and services include ... open and closed captioning ... among other methods. 28 C.F.R. § 36.303(b)."

Note that the process of requesting reasonable accommodation does not apply to the provision of auxiliary aids and services - those must be provided when the service is initially offered to anyone.



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Rehabilitation Act Section 504 - federal funding recipients
Americans with Disabilities Act, Title II - state and local governments (state colleges & universities), Title III - public accommodations (all higher education)
Rehabilitation Act Section 508 - federal agencies
Some Higher Ed Consent Decrees (settlements) reference WCAG 2.0 AA 508
Refresh effective 1/18/2018 incorporated WCAG 2.0 A and AA
Many state laws require compliance with WCAG 2.0 A and AA



WCAG 2.0 requires captions

1.2.2 Captions (Prerecorded)

Level A

Captions are provided for all prerecorded audio content in synchronized media, except when the media is a media alternative for text and is clearly labeled as such.

https://www.w3.org/WAI/WCAG21/quickref/?versions=2.0&showtechniques=122%2C123&hidesidebar=true#qr-media-equiv-captions



What will happen if we don't caption?

Lawsuits by students, employees, or public (includes disability rights groups)

Actions, including lawsuits, by Department of Education Office of Civil Rights

Actions, including lawsuits, by Department of Justice Disability Rights Section



Copyright is not an obstacle to captioning

It is not a copyright infringement to make copies of videos in order to create closed captioning. The copying of a copyrighted video for the purposes of providing access to the hearing-impaired is not infringement.

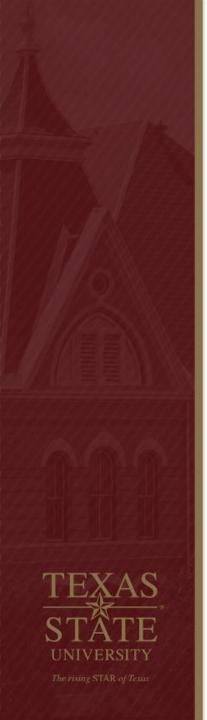
Authority: Chafee Amendment (Section 121) and the right to fair use (Section 107)

The only case interpreting the Chafee Amendment is the recent decision in Author's Guild v. HathiTrust (HathiTrust).

HathiTrust holds that it is fair use to make copies to provide access to materials for people with disabilities.

HathiTrust also found that the Chafee Amendment did not preempt reliance on fair use. Additionally, in HathiTrust, a third party vendor, Google Books, scanned the copyrighted material on behalf of the Library, establishing that a library may rely on the right to fair use even when a third party vendor is the one doing the copying.

HathiTrust found that the Libraries could qualify as "authorized entities" under the Chafee Amendment and that the Chafee Amendment did not preempt the Libraries' ability to rely on the right to fair use.



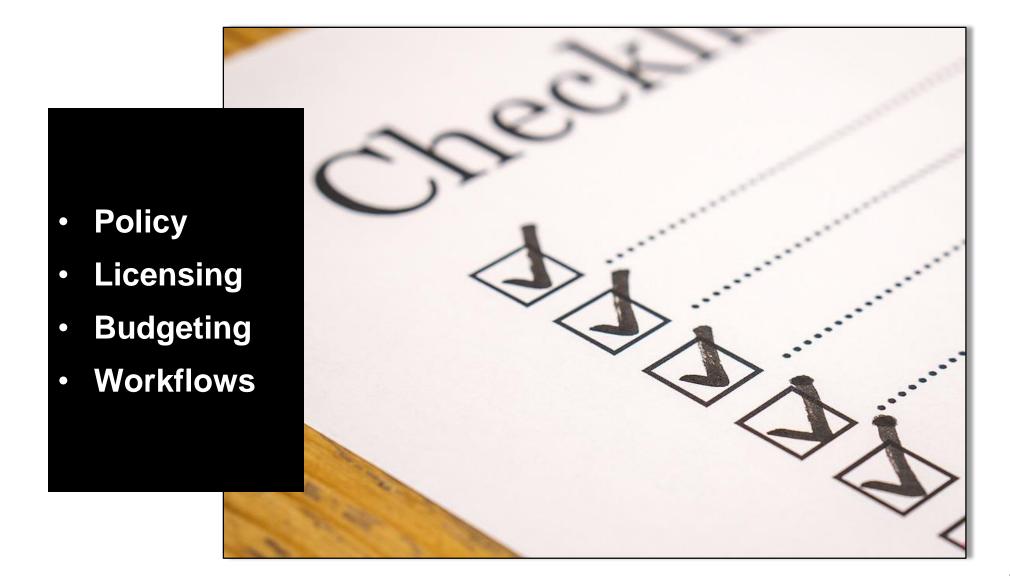
Moving Forward:

Establishing a Captioning Program

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Planning for a Program

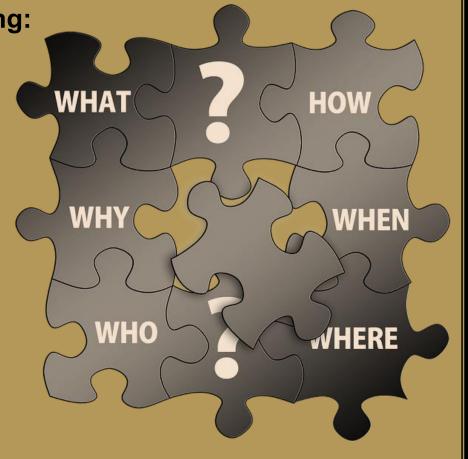




Setting Policy What works for you?

Decisions for your collection's captioning:

- What will be captioned?
 - All, including backlog
 - Currently purchased forward
 - Vendor provided only
- What will be the Caption defaults?
- How will you handle other languages?
- Will there be a note in your Catalog?
- How will you track spending?
- How will licensing be affected?





Licensing for Captions

- Negotiate for:
 - A Voluntary Product Accessibility Template (VPAT)
 - Vendor to provide captioning files
 - A captioning clause or addendum



Include a clause that allows captioning:

"Using an outside party or specialized software to add captioning is permitted, as long as the content of the presentation is not otherwise changed, nor kept or used by the outside party."



Budget Decisions: Setting the stage for workflows

- Hosting/streaming on parent platform
 - Captioning provided by vendor
- Streaming on hosted platform
 - Ex: Alexander Street Press hosting service
- Streaming on library hosting platform
 - Vendor provided caption files
 - Third party captioning service
 - Option to caption in-house



In-house Captioning

Staffing

- Who will manage
- Dedicated staff or incorporated into other duties?

Expertise

- Training
- Ongoing skill (dictation, spelling, etc.)
- Troubleshooting
- Tools and specialized equipment
 - Headphones
 - Captioning software and support
 - Dedicated computer(s) that meet software requirements

Time

- Balancing staff processing time for captioning vs their other duties
- Creating, syncing, uploading, troubleshooting
- Records management



Budgeting:

Staff time

- + equipment
- + software
- + training



Captioning Service

Outsource

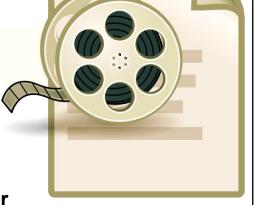
- Fewer internal staff and staff time
- Little need for extra equipment or software

Budgeting

- Dollars per hour/minutes
- Rev is \$1 per minute, English to English; \$3 \$7 English to other
- How many minutes total needed?
- Possible processing fees for outsourced work and invoice processing
- Caption cost/minute + staff time + any processing fees

Internal staff

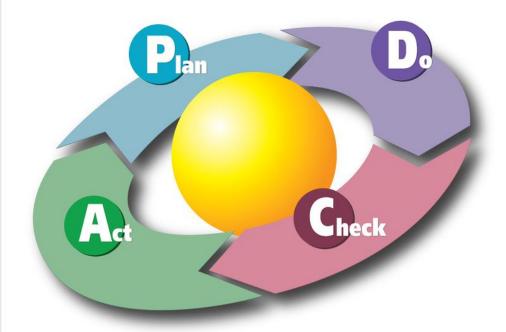
- Establishing (and continuing) expertise for workflows
- Balancing time for outsource captioning work with regular duties
- Troubleshooting issues
- Uploads to platform (internal or vendor)
- Invoice processing integrated with usual invoicing/payment workflows





The Captioning Program and Beyond

- Plan your processes, but not in a vacuum
- Keep communication channels open for priorities and feedback
- Have an established mechanism for problem reporting
- Engage in continuous assessment measures



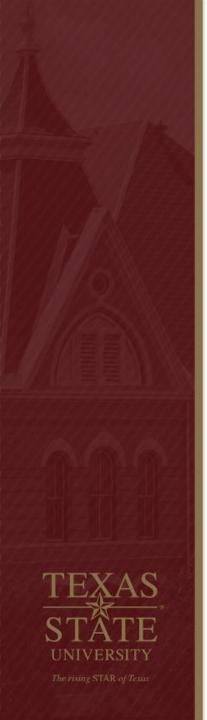
P – Plan the project

D – Do the plan

C – Check for problems and improvements

A – Act to improve your processes

Bulsuk, Karn G. Taking the First Step with the PDCA (Plan-Do-Check-Act) Cycle https://www.bulsuk.com/2009/02/taking-first-step-with-pdca.html



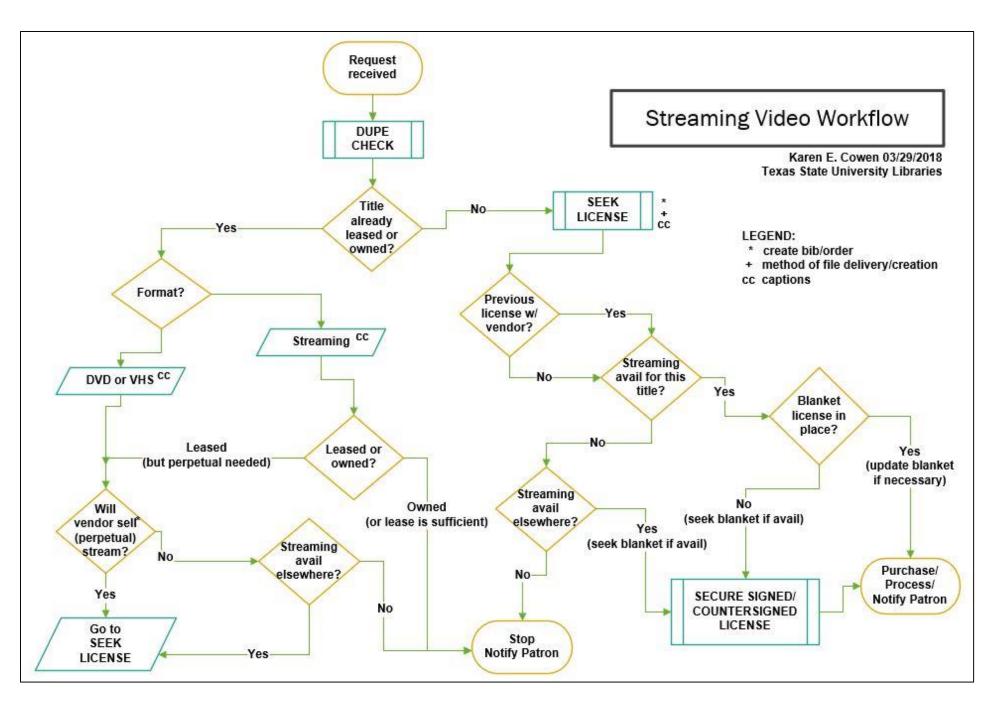
Establishing Workflows at Texas State

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Current Systems at Texas State Libraries

- Streaming video platform: Ensemble (rebranded as Mediaflo)
- Captioning service: Rev
- Integrated Library System: Innovative Sierra
- One <u>specialized</u> staff person
- Average 45 minutes per video on processing, invoicing, records





Considerations

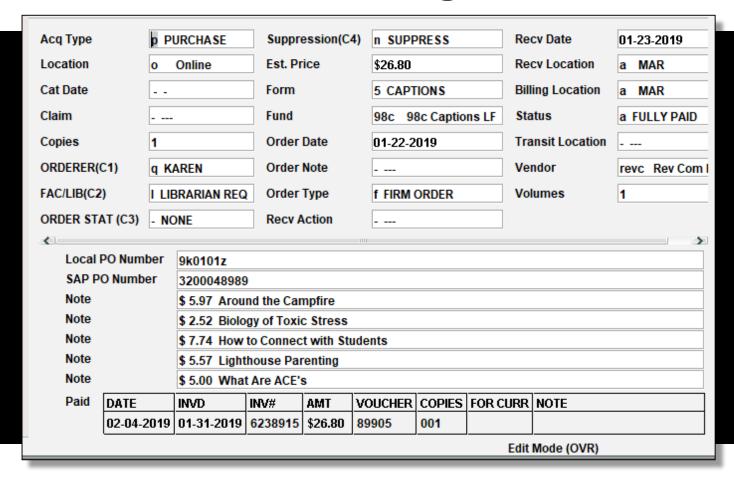
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| https://mediaflo.txstate.edu/Watch/b48010273 | | | | | | | | | | |
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| ☐ Additional Settings | | | | | | | | | | |
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- Leased or perpetual
- Spoken language(s)
- Multiple files
- File from vendor

- In-house creation
- Third-party
- Captions on by default
- Other settings



Ordering



- Template
- One order per bib
- Current status
- Confirmation email
- File-ready email

- One PO per month
- Technical support
- Error codes
- Editing caption file
- Adjusting sync

Bibliographic Record

| Description | 300 | | | 1 streaming video (57 min.) : bsd., col. with b&w sequences |
|-------------|-----|---|---|---|
| Note | 500 | | | Purchased title. |
| Note | 546 | | | In English with some Spanish. |
| Note | 546 | | 9 | Closed captions in English. |
| Subject | 655 | | 0 | Video recordings for the hearing impaired. 2 cgft |
| Subject | 691 | 1 | | 1998C |
| Misc. | 856 | 4 | | uhttps://mediaflo.txstate.edu/Watch/b48010273 zView online |

- Relevant fields to add
- Using macros

- Who edits bibliographic record
- Assigning tasks



Invoicing and Paying

User: Amanda / Karen Price / Cowen (anp125@txstate.edu)

| Delivered | Reference | PO C | Order# | Activity | Files | Amount |
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| 20-Jan-19 | 5c448356 309ece00 160306a6 | Cl | P0190189051 | Caption, 5m 58s | Around the Campfire Toolkit.vtt | 5.97 |
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| 22-Jan-19 | 5c47455c 309ece00 160306a9 | Cl | P0377513841 | Caption, 7m 44s | How To Connect with Students Toolkit.vtt | 7.74 |
| 22-Jan-19 | 5c4769da 309ece00 160306ac | CI | P0006520033 | Caption, 5m 34s | Lighthouse Parenting Toolkit.vtt | 5.57 |
| 22-Jan-19 | 5c47a3bb 309ece00 160306af | Cl | P0708829820 | Caption, 5m | What Are ACE's? Toolkit.vtt | 5.00 |
| | | | | | Total | 26.80 |



- One per month
- Notes for multiple videos
- PO numbering



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http://sudcc.syr.edu/LanguageGuide/

Disability Etiquette

http://www.unitedspinal.org/pdf/DisabilityEtiquette.pdf

Information and Technical Assistance on the Americans with Disabilities Act.

https://www.ada.gov/

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