Fair Use Checklist

1. What is the PURPOSE/CHARACTER of the proposed use? Check all that apply.

FAVORS FAIR USE	OPPOSES FAIR USE
□ Teaching	☐ Commercial purposes (will it be sold?)
□ Research	☐ Profiting from the use
□ Scholarship	□ Entertainment
□ Criticism	☐ Bad-faith behavior (disregard for copyright law)
□ Commentary	☐ Denying credit to original author
□ Nonprofit educational institution	
☐ Restricted access (available only to students enrolled in	
course or other appropriate group)	
☐ Transformative or productive use (changes the work for new	
purpose; adds value to the work; or does not diminish the	
market for the original work)	

2. What is the NATURE of the copyrighted work from which it will be used? Check all that apply.

FAVORS FAIR USE	OPPOSES FAIR USE
□ Published work	□ Unpublished work
□ Factual or nonfiction based	☐ Highly creative work (art, music, novels, films, plays)
☐ Important to educational objectives	□ Fiction

3. What PORTION of the copyrighted work will be used? Check all that apply.

"Portion" is both a quantitative and qualitative consideration. Using an entire work, or using the portion of a work that is the "heart of the work" may weigh against fair use.

FAVORS FAIR USE	OPPOSES FAIR USE
☐ Small quantity of work to be used	☐ Large portion or entire work to be used
☐ Portion used is not central or significant to entire work	☐ Portion used is central to work or "heart of the work"
☐ Amount is appropriate for educational purpose	□ Fiction

4. What is the EFFECT on the market or potential market if this item is used? Check all that apply.

Reproduction that substitutes for the purchase of the original weighs heavily against fair use.

FAVORS FAIR USE	OPPOSES FAIR USE
☐ User owns lawfully acquired or purchased copy of original	☐ Could replace sale of copyrighted work
work	
☐ One or few copies made	☐ Significantly impairs market or potential
	market for copyrighted work or derivative
☐ No significant effect on the market or potential market for	☐ Reasonably available licensing mechanism for use of the
copyrighted work	copyrighted work
☐ No similar product marketed by the copyright holder	☐ Affordable license fee available for using work
□ Lack of licensing mechanism	□ Numerous copies made
☐ One-time, spontaneous use	☐ Made openly accessible on the Internet or in other public
	forum
	☐ Repeated or long-term use desired