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# Press Release

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BOWLING GREEN, KY—Students will be able to download music legally at WKU!

The WKU board of Regents unanimously voted to implement a new downloading program designed to protect not only the schools web service but you the students too. Beginning in the fall 2011 semester, a five dollar surcharge will be added to the tuition to pay for the rights to download and share music on the campus of WKU.

This comes on the heels of much debate and compromise between the Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA) and WKU. According to the RIAA's statistics WKU has the second highest lawsuits by the RIAA. Over the years the RIAA has sued on average 400 students per year here at WKU.

To download music students will use their student ID numbers to access the sites agreed upon to supply music. Specific details will be released in the near future.

President Ransdell remarked, "I am so glad we were able to get the funding and pass this plan, it will take a lot of heat off the Information Technology Department having to enforce a plan that quite frankly, *was not working.*"