The *Copyright Act* includes an exception for educational institutions that permits the performance of copyright-protected works in the classroom for educational purposes.

*Refer to Section 29.5(a) of the Copyright Act.*

The performance of copyright-protected works by students to an audience outside the classroom is conditional upon the following:

- The audience must consist primarily of students, faculty, and college staff.
- The audience cannot consist of students’ parents or the general public.
- The performance cannot be conducted for profit. Any admittance fee can only cover the cost of producing the performance.
- The performance must take place on the premises of the educational institution.

For more information, always refer to your college’s copyright practices or ask the person designated by your college to answer copyright questions. Your college library is a good place to start!