1. **Definition of Resource Access Levels**

1.1. **Uniform Access**

To qualify as a uniform access resource, the following criteria must be met:
- Resource is available for use by all students from all campuses with no restrictions.
- Resource is available continuously or nearly continuously.
- Usage of the resource is not geographically constrained to one campus.
- Resource must specifically serve student need from all of Eastern’s campuses.
- There may be no access restrictions on the resource, as defined below.

Examples of Uniform Access:
- Dialup Internet Access, Student Email Accounts, NetStorage, Software Discount Program

1.1. **General Access**

To qualify as a general access resource, the following criteria must be met:
- Resource is available for use by all students from at least one campus location.
- Only registration and appointment restrictions may be applied to the resource.
- Resource must serve a "general" need shared by many students, as defined by the Student Technology Fee Committee.
- There may be only registration or appointment restrictions on the resource, as defined below.

Examples of General Access:
- Cyber Café, PUB Computer Lab, MARS Computer Lab, Riverpoint Computer Lab, Student Equipment Checkout.

1.1. **Other Access**

Resources that are not defined as Uniform Access or General Access.

2. **Definition of Resource Restrictions**

2.1. **No Restrictions**

Resource may be used by all EWU students. An EagleID Account or Eagle Card may be required.

2.2. **Registration Restriction**

Resource may be used by all EWU students following registration with the resource owner. Registration is not an application and may not be denied.

2.3. **Appointment Restriction**

Resource may be used by all EWU students by an appointment with the resource owner.

2.4. **Priority Restriction**
Resource may be used by all EWU students, but certain students receive priority or are exempted from registration or appointment requirements.

2.5. Restricted Resource

Resource use is restricted to certain students or an application is required for use.

3. Findings

3.1. Given that the Student Technology Fee (STF) is collected from nearly every student enrolled at Eastern Washington University, the Student Technology Fee Committee (STFC) finds that accessibility to equipment funded with STF funds is an important criterion by which STF proposals should be evaluated.

3.2. While the Committee recognizes that there are many legitimate reasons for limiting access to resources, the Committee favors more accessible technology for students.

3.3. The Committee also recognizes that students with disabilities often encounter barriers when using technology resources. The Committee will give special consideration to proposals including adaptive technologies that provide disabled users access.

4. Policy

4.1. The STFC will generally give funding priority to proposals that have higher accessibility. In order to assess the accessibility of proposed resources objectively, the committee has developed three “access levels” which are defined above. Funding priority will be given first to uniform access proposals, followed by general access and then other access. Additionally, the committee will also consider which specific access restrictions that will be applied to the proposed resource and the inclusion of adaptive technologies in the proposal.

4.2. When determining how accessible a proposed resource will be, the Committee also considers placement of the proposed equipment, how the proposed equipment will be used, and during what times the equipment will be available. The Committee expects that the placement, purpose, and availability times of funded resources will be maintained for at least three years. Any changes must be brought to the attention of and approved by the Committee. After three years, if the equipment is being replaced it is be brought back to the STF for trickledown distribution in which case the Committee may request it be sent to EWU Surplus.