

THINK YOUR LAST CREDIT CARD STATEMENT WAS BRUTAL?

Try explaining a \$17,500 charge
for one new CD to your parents.



In the spring of 2005, students at 33 colleges and universities were slapped with music industry lawsuits for illegally sharing copyrighted songs. In previous music industry lawsuits for illegal file-sharing, four college students and their parents - at Princeton, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and Michigan Tech - were each forced to pay \$17,500 in fines.

Regardless of whether or not you have the cash, your parents may be liable to pay the entire fine - and claiming youth or ignorance won't work. In New York, the mother of a 12-year-old girl who was charged with illegally uploading music files, was forced to pay \$2,000 in fines.

No matter how you feel about file-sharing, you need to be aware that the recording industry and other copyright holders are cracking down and randomly monitoring networks across the country. UC is powerless to protect you if you are targeted.



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