

Board Policy 3.06 Patron Conduct



Patron Conduct Policy

For the safety, health, and comfort of the patrons and staff of the library, and to maintain an environment conducive to library use and enjoyment, the following rules have been approved by the Library Board of Trustees. These rules apply to all persons entering the library.

1. Patrons are not permitted to engage in behavior that is disruptive to library operations.
2. Food and lidded drinks or bottled drinks are allowed in designated areas of the library to exclude the computer labs and computer classrooms.
3. Sleeping is not permitted in the library.
4. Shirt and shoes are required in the library.
5. Bathing, shaving, brushing teeth, dressing and engaging in sexual acts of any kind are not permitted in the library, including the restrooms.
6. If body odor or perfume is strong enough to constitute a nuisance to others, the patron may be asked to leave the building.
7. Animals are not allowed in the library, with the exception of service animals. If a service animal's behavior creates a disruption, the owner will be asked to leave with their animal.
8. Loud noises or disturbances which interfere with staff and or other patrons' use and enjoyment of the library are not permitted.
9. Parents or guardians are responsible for persons in their care. Children seven (7) and under must not be left unattended.
10. Library patrons are not permitted to bring the following into the library: large suitcases on wheels, expedition-sized backpacks or large containers such as plastic bags or garbage bags. Patrons must keep all personal belongings with them at all times. All bags are subject to inspection by security or library personnel. The library is not responsible for personal belongings that are left unattended.
11. Entrance into staff only areas, such as workrooms and offices, is prohibited.
12. Library furniture and equipment must be used for its intended purpose only. Furniture may not be moved or misused.
13. Patrons are not permitted to damage or destroy library property, equipment, or materials.
14. No solicitation is permitted at the library entrance or inside the library.
15. No smoking, including vaping, is permitted.
16. Weapons are not permitted in the library.
17. Patrons are not permitted to harass, threaten, or physically harm a patron or employee.
18. Photography or filming in the library must not cause disturbance to library staff or patrons.

People who violate these rules will be asked to stop such actions, ~~and~~ - the library reserves the right to ask anyone who violates these rules to leave. Refusal to leave when requested may result in a call to law enforcement. Failure to comply with these rules may result in denial of entry to the library and loss of library privileges.

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