

Policy on Patron Behavior

Any activity which interferes with the rights of other patrons to use the Library, could result in physical or emotional injury or could result in damage to the facilities, equipment or materials is considered unacceptable. The Library reserves the right to require anyone who violates these rules of conduct to leave the premises and to restrict Library privileges for a specified period of time. Unlawful activities will be reported to the police when appropriate.

Disruptive behavior includes, but is not limited to:

- **Abuse/vandalism of Library facilities, equipment or material** will be documented and when appropriate the police will be contacted.
- **Abusive or obscene language** - Language that is offensive to other patrons and staff is considered unacceptable behavior. This includes cell phone conversations.
- **Alcohol, tobacco and illegal drugs** are not permitted anywhere on Library property.
- **Animals** - Patrons will not be permitted to bring pets into the Library with the exception of service animals.
- **Bikes, roller blades, skateboards and scooters** may not be used or worn in the Library.
- **Blocking aisles or doorways** - Patrons shall not obstruct aisles or doorways or in any way interfere with the free movement of any person or persons.
- **Copyright** - Copyright laws and software-licensing agreements will be followed.
- **Excessive noise and other disturbances** - Loud conversation, laughter or music which is disturbing to others is not allowed, including loud uses of cell phones or cell phone conversations. Patrons are not to run or otherwise engage in disorderly conduct.
- **Food** - Food and/or beverages are not allowed at the computers or while using the Library's laptops. Patrons are responsible for disposing of wrappers, bottles, etc. and wiping tables down as needed.
- **Harassment** - Harassing behavior directed against Library staff or patrons will not be tolerated.
- **Intoxication** - Library users suspected to be under the influence of drugs or alcohol will not be allowed in the Library.

- **Possession of Weapons** - Illegal protective devices are not permitted in the Library
- **Refusing to comply with the reasonable requests of any member of the Library staff.**
- **Appropriate clothing, etc.** - Patrons are expected to wear appropriate clothing at all times including shirts and shoes and are expected to practice acceptable personal hygiene.
- **Sleeping** is prohibited, except for young children under a parent or caregiver's supervision.
- **Soliciting** in the Library is not allowed.

Incident Report: Appendix A