



Patron Responsibility Policy

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Patron Responsibility Policy is to facilitate a pleasurable, safe experience for all patrons visiting the library by ensuring that everyone practices responsibility over their own actions and decisions.

In order to maintain a clean, safe and comfortable environment for library patrons and staff, everyone visiting the library building and/or grounds shall adhere to the following rules and responsibilities:

Follow library policies and procedures regarding the use of library materials, services and equipment. Be respectful of library property and materials. Do not damage, vandalize or tamper with or improperly remove library property or property that does not belong to you.

All bags and other containers must fit completely under a library chair.

Wheeled vehicles, unless needed by persons with disabilities or to transport children, are not allowed in the library building.

No solicitation or panhandling. No loitering or sleeping in the library. Obey all local, state and federal laws.

No bothering or interrupting other library patrons. Refrain from loud or rowdy behavior or creating and/or participating in a disturbance such as physical or verbal fights or altercation.

No use of profane, obscene or injurious language or displaying obscene materials or images.

Parents and other adults accompanying minors are responsible for ensuring that minors follow the library's policies and procedures. The library should not be used in place of appropriate child care.

If given permission from library staff, keep food and beverages in designated areas. All beverages must be covered.

The use or display of tobacco products, including vaping, is not allowed except in designated outdoor areas.

No loitering. Patrons may not remain on library property if asked to leave by a library staff member.

No trespassing. This includes being in library buildings when they are not open to the public or going into non-public areas.

No public intoxication. The use or possession of alcoholic beverages is not allowed, except when the FDL Board has given approval for certain events.

Proper attire, including, but not limited to, shirt and shoes is required. Visitors with inadequate personal hygiene that interferes with the use of the library by others will be asked to leave.

Anyone who does not adhere to these rules and responsibilities may be asked to leave the library and its property, may be denied library privileges, or be banned from the library. Violation of local, state or federal laws may result in criminal prosecution.

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