

PATRON CODE OF CONDUCT

Expected Behavior

All patrons must wear a mask which covers their mouth and nose when they are within the library for the protection of themselves, staff and other patrons.

Mutual respect makes it possible for every library user to take advantage of all the library has to offer. Please be respectful at all times and behave in a manner that does not disrupt others.

Prohibited Behaviors or Activities Include:

- Any behavior that disrupts the normal functioning of the library or creates an unsafe environment
- Failure to follow staff instructions
- Noise disturbing to others, including loud talking, yelling, inappropriate/loud use of cell phone and audio equipment, including during computer use
- Abusive or threatening language, profanity
- Acting in an intimidating, threatening, hostile or offensive manner
- Fighting, physical abuse or assault
- Theft of or damage to library, patron or staff property; altering or attempts to alter library materials
- Violating the Internet Policy, including the public display of offensive sexual materials as restricted by NYS Penal Laws, §245.10, §245.11, §263.11 and §263.16.
- Bare feet or chest
- Consuming, possessing or selling alcohol or illegal drugs
- Excessive displays of public affection; exhibitionism, lewd behavior; engaging in or soliciting sexual acts
- Leaving children under 8 unattended
- Offensive bodily odor
- Sexual harassment
- Sleeping
- Smoking, chewing tobacco or using other tobacco products
- Trespassing - entering library property when barred
- Weapon possession

Inappropriate Use of Facilities or Equipment includes:

- Activities intended to interfere with or disrupt computer networks or equipment
- Animals, except service dogs or animals which are part of a library sponsored program
- Obstructing passageways or blocking access to the library or any part of the library
- Use of public restrooms for bathing or laundry; other inappropriate use of restrooms; use of other public areas for personal grooming
- Vandalizing library facilities and equipment

**To see the entire Library Code of Conduct
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