

Policy on Computers & Internet Access

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Availability of Library-Owned Computers

The library has three computer areas:

Youth This area is for children in 5th grade and below. The computers are located near

the youth service desk on the second floor. Computers may be used for 30

minutes per day.

Teen This area is for students in 6th - 12th grades. The computers are located in the

teen area on the second floor. Computers may be used for one hour per day.

Adult The adult computers may be used by those aged 18 & up. The computers are

located on the first floor. Computers may be used for a maximum of two hours per day. Extensions may occasionally be granted by library staff to accommodate

time-consuming tasks such as application for employment and tax preparation.

Patrons can sign into library-owned computers using their library cards. Guest passes are also available. Reservations may be made via the library's web site or by calling the library.

Wireless Internet Access for Patron-Owned Devices

Wireless internet access is available throughout the library for patrons using their own devices. The name of the wireless network is "Library-Wireless." No password is required. The security of user information transmitted over the wireless network cannot be guaranteed.

Responsibility for Internet Use by Minors

Although the use of the internet within the library by minors is permitted and encouraged, the library cannot guarantee that minors' internet use will be supervised at all times. The library does not filter content on any of its computers. Parents & guardians should discuss safe and appropriate internet use with their children. Library staff members are happy to help parents find recommended guidelines to share with their children.

Prohibited Content

The library does not filter internet content on any of its computers. However, for the enjoyment of all library users, the display of certain content within the library is strictly prohibited. This prohibition applies regardless of whether the content appears on library-owned computers or patron-owned devices.

Prohibited content includes, but is not limited to:

- Pornography
- Sexualized nudity

- Depictions of graphic violence toward humans and/or animals
- Hate propaganda or speech
- Any materials that may be disturbing to others in the view of library staff

Users of both library-owned computers and patron-owned devices will be warned if library staff observe prohibited content. Users who fail to cease accessing prohibited content after staff warning or who do so on multiple occasions will face the loss of privileges as follows:

1st violation Patron will be asked to leave the building for the day.

2nd violation Patron will be barred from entering the library for 30 days.

3rd violation Patron will be barred from entering the library for 1 year.