

III. Patron Responsibilities and Conduct

It is a patron's responsibility to maintain necessary and proper standards of behavior in order to protect his/her individual rights and the rights and privileges of other patrons. If a patron creates a public nuisance, that patron may be restricted from the Library and from the use of the library facilities. Those who are unwilling to leave or do not leave within a reasonable amount of time, after being instructed to do so by the staff, will be subject to the law.

A. The Library reserves the right to:

1. Ask any person entering the building and grounds to present proper identification at any time.
2. Ask persons to leave the Library building and grounds. Refusal to leave or re-entering the premises after being asked to leave will result in prosecution.
3. Suspend or revoke library privileges.

B. While in the Library and on Library premises, the following are prohibited:

- Smoking or use of electronic smoking devices
- Eating or drinking uncovered beverages.
- Loitering.
- Sleeping.
- Harassing patrons or library staff.
- Being drunk or disorderly.
- Leaving children unattended. See Unattended Children in Library Policy.
- Failure to wear shirt or shoes.
- Other behaviors deemed disruptive by Library staff

C. Disruptive Patrons:

Patrons of all ages are encouraged to use the library for homework, recreational reading, and program attendance. The Library staff realizes that the library will be noisier at busy times and that children by nature can cause more commotion. However, patrons (with or without supervision) who are being continually disruptive will be given a warning that he/she must correct the behavior or will be asked to leave the library. If after a second warning the patron continues to be disruptive, he/she will be asked to leave the library. If a child needs to contact a parent, they may do so and then wait with a staff person until the parent arrives. The Library reserves the right to suspend or revoke library privileges.