



PATRON CODE OF CONDUCT

Recognizing the need to maintain an environment suitable for studying, reading, browsing, and general use of library resources, the following rules and procedures are established to assure the safety of library users, library personnel, and library materials, equipment and furnishings; and to assure that the use of the library is not obstructed by inappropriate behavior or actions.

The following activities will not be allowed on library property:

Smoking/Vaping

Sleeping

Drunk or disorderly conduct

Harassment of library users or library personnel

Absence of shirts or shoes

Running

Excessive noise

Damaging of library materials, equipment, furniture, or the building

Removal of library materials without properly checking them out

Use of roller blades, skateboards, or other sports equipment

Rules of Conduct apply to both patron conduct with other patrons and patron conduct with staff members.

Entering the library implies agreement to abide by these rules. Violation of any one of these rules may subject the individual involved to exclusion from the library for a period of time.

The library director will maintain a record of individuals who violate the rules of the library and who might be suspended from use of the library. This record will include the name of the individual, name of the parent or guardian if the individual is under 18 years of age, description of the incident, and date. It will be signed by the staff member reporting the incident and will report the information to the library director, who will determine if the individual will be barred from future use of the library for a specified period of time. Parents of juveniles will be notified of any suspension. Individuals barred from the library by the library director may appeal to the Board of Trustees in writing.

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