

# Grove City Community Library

## Patron Behavior Policy

The Grove City Community Library is a public facility and, as such, we expect all who use the facility to be courteous and respectful towards one another and follow all library rules.

PLEASE observe the following:

- The Children/Teen area is designated for patrons 18 and younger and parents and guardians of accompanying minors.
- Keep all valuables and personal property with you at all times. The library is not responsible for items lost, damaged, or stolen on library premises.
- Any child under the age of 14 must be actively supervised by an adult (15 years or older). Parents or guardians are responsible for the safety and behavior of the children they are supervising.
- Follow library computer and Internet/Wi-Fi policies.
- Use cell phones in the lobby or outside.
- Appropriate dress for a public space where minors are present is required; shoes and shirts must be worn at all times.
- Maintain an acceptable standard of hygiene. Any individual having infested clothing, effects, or offensive odors that disrupts other patrons will be asked to exit the premises and return once the situation has been appropriately resolved.

In order to provide a safe and comfortable environment, the following are NOT PERMITTED in the library:

- Destruction or theft of library materials or property.
- Possess, consume, or be under the influence of alcohol or other drugs.
- Disorderly, disruptive or boisterous conduct.
- Threatening, harassing or intimidating language or behavior.
- Smoking, including e-cigarettes/vaping, and use of tobacco products.
- Bathing or shaving in public restrooms.
- Solicitation of any type.
- Pets or animals, other than service animals, service-animals-in-training (as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act), or animals brought into for library-sponsored programs and/or purposes.
- Weapons of any kind (except for concealed carry permit holders lawfully carrying a concealed firearm).

Any library staff can determine whether the rules are being followed. The library staff may respond to any conduct not expressed here which is deemed to interfere with staff duties or other patrons' use of the library. Failure to comply with the Patron Behavior Policy may result in exclusion from the library for the day, permanently, and/or in arrest.

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