



POLICY RESOLUTION

PR-08-20

of the Board of Library Trustees of the Glenside Public Library District adopted this 18th day of March, 2021; a resolution pertaining to **BEHAVIOR AND USE OF LIBRARY FACILITIES**.

The Library is a place dedicated to quiet contemplation and other learning. We want the Library to be a comfortable, safe and welcoming environment for all our patrons. The Library's goal is to aid in the acquisition of knowledge through reading, writing and participation in library programs. To achieve that goal the library must protect the rights of individuals who are in the Library to use library materials and/or services, protect the rights of staff members to conduct library business without disruption and preserve and protect library materials and facilities. Therefore, the following rules of behavior have been established to create a quiet atmosphere in which this stated goal might be met.

Quiet, non-disruptive behavior is expected from all library patrons. Behavior which interferes with the peaceful and orderly management of the library may result in expulsion and/or execution of a trespass warrant from the library. Such behavior would include, but is not limited to:

- 1) use of Library for purposes other than those which meet its goal;
- 2) loud use of individually-owned or library-supplied audio equipment or cell phones;
- 3) use of wheeled vehicles or wheeled footwear inside the Library except where such use is to afford access to the Library to persons with disabilities;
- 4) physical, sexual or verbal abuse or attempts to intimidate or annoy other patrons or staff members;
- 5) intoxication; unauthorized use of alcoholic beverages in the building;
- 6) bringing any animal onto library property except one assisting a person with disabilities;
- 7) lighting matches, lighters or other flammables inside the building;
- 8) entering areas designated for use only by library staff without permission;
- 9) sounding the fire alarm without cause;
- 10) failing to leave the building upon request at closing time, during an emergency or after causing a disruption;
- 11) entering without shirt or shoes;
- 12) exhibiting offensive bodily hygiene;
- 13) smoking, including electronic cigarettes, in any portion of the building or within 15 feet of entrances;
- 14) using the Internet for purposes prohibited by law;
- 15) parking bicycles outside of bicycle racks or in a manner that blocks access to the entrance to the Library.
- 16) Disruptive or disorderly behavior;
- 17) Loitering;
- 18) Displaying or carrying implements that are commonly considered to be usable as weapons;
- 19) Solicitation by individuals or groups except as permitted by library policy.

Parents/Guardians are responsible for the behavior of their children on Library grounds and in The Library building.

The Library may deny parents, guardians and/or children library privileges if children (under age 6) are not with their designated caregiver at all times.

Patrons who willfully violate these rules shall be excluded from use of the facilities for specified periods of time based on the severity of the willful violation as determined by the library director. any expulsion may be appealed to the board of library trustees by seeking a hearing to be scheduled at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

SUPERSEDES: PR-03-17, Use of Library Facilities, adopted November 16, 2017

APPROVED:

President

March 18, 2021

Date