

Patron Responsibility Policy—Perry Carnegie Library

Unacceptable Behavior

Perry Carnegie Library seeks to provide a safe, welcoming environment for patrons and staff. Those engaging in unacceptable conduct will be subject to library use restrictions, including loss of library privileges. The nature and length of restrictions will be decided by the Library Director (or Library Director's appointed representative).

Examples of unacceptable behavior:

- **Mutilation, defacement, or theft of library property.**
- **Violence or threats of violence.**
- **Acts or actions that disrupt the peaceful use of library service.**
- **Comments or actions that involve harassment, including those that create a hostile work environment.**
- **Bathing, changing clothes or shaving in public restrooms and/or fountains.**
- **Use of any tobacco products (including vapor cigarettes) in the library or on library property.**
- **Pets or support animals are not allowed in the building. Service animals are allowed in the building.**
- **Entering the library while intoxicated or under the influence of drugs.**
- **Entering unauthorized workspaces.**
- **Blocking of aisles, elevators, or traffic-ways. This includes cables, chargers, cords and electronics.**
- **Eating or drinking in the library, except in cases of medical necessity.**
- **Being noisy or running through the library.**
- **Raising the voice or yelling.**
- **Speaking on cell phones for loud or extended conversations.**
- **Selling and soliciting for services, money or items.**
- **Sleeping.**
- **Misusing and/or rearranging furniture.**
- **Patrons must wear shoes and shirt, and can't wear clothing deemed offensive.**
- **Possessing a weapon of any kind, unless authorized by law.**
- **Any other acts or actions not otherwise listed that would constitute criminal action.**

Parents/caregivers are responsible for ensuring that their children follow policies.

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