COMPUTER USE POLICY

1. The Library defines a computer as any device that is either connected to or is capable of connecting to the Library network or internet. This policy applies to all such devices, either patron or library owned.

2. The Library will not control or censor any of the information that Library patrons can access from the Internet. All patrons use the Library’s Internet at their own risk and are cautioned to use good judgment in doing so. Because of the open, unsecured nature of the Internet, there are areas that may be deemed inappropriate for viewing in the Library’s public setting. Patrons are expected to be respectful of their fellow patrons, including minor library patrons, when using the Library’s networks, wired or wireless.

3. Parent(s)/Guardian(s) are expected to supervise and be responsible for their children’s access to computers, which includes the use of the Internet.

4. By using the Library’s wireless network, the user agrees that the Library has no responsibility for any personal information that is compromised, or for any damage caused to users’ hardware or software due to security issues or consequences caused by viruses or hacking.

5. Users agree to be responsible for ensuring that their computer has adequate protection against computer viruses, spyware, and any and all other malware that their computer may be exposed to on the Internet or from email attachments or other sources such that it does not infect or compromise the proper function of other devices on the Library network.

6. Users are expected to treat Library materials/equipment and devices in a responsible manner, obeying all local, state, and federal laws.

7. Internet workstations are available on a first come, first served basis. Usage is limited to a period of 30 minutes when others are waiting to access a workstation.

8. Library staff may verify whether the Library’s wireless connection is up and running, but will not be required to assist in making changes to the user’s network settings or perform any troubleshooting on the user’s computer.

10. The Library staff, in its discretion, has the right to discontinue computer privileges for anyone not following this policy.

This policy has been established by the Board of Trustees and is subject to periodic review and/or revision at the discretion of the Board.

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