



LIBRARY USE POLICY

The LIBRARY USE POLICY is designed to protect the rights of individuals in the Library who use library materials and/or services, to protect the rights of staff members to conduct library business without interference, and to preserve and protect library materials and facilities.

Because the Morrisson-Reeves Library wants to provide a welcoming environment for people of every background, opinion, socio-economic status, appearance and lifestyle, certain standards of behavior, decency, respect and decorum must be maintained.

While at the Library we encourage you to:

- Show courtesy and respect.
- Ask for help when you need it.
- Give us your suggestions about how we can improve our services, collections, and facilities.
- Enjoy the time you spend here.

So that everyone may have a safe and enjoyable experience in the Library, please do not:

- Destroy, deface or abuse library property.
- Leave children ten years and under unattended.
- Play audio equipment at a volume that disturbs others.
- Have cell phones set to ring/chime/alert/etc. or converse at a volume that disturbs others.
- Engage in inappropriate behavior, including but not limited to viewing of sexually explicit images on the Internet.
- Panhandle or solicit for any reason, including but not limited to, sales or charity, petition signatures, political issues, etc.
- Bathe or wash clothes.
- Sleep
- Enter the library without shirt or shoes.
- Wear inappropriate/revealing attire or exhibit poor hygiene.
- Use vulgar or obscene language or gestures: includes language or gestures that convey a sexually explicit message or are conveyed in a coarse or crude manner.
- Be disruptive, disorderly, harass patrons and/or staff, or otherwise interfere with library business or any person's comfort or safety, including but not limited to taking pictures/filming without permission.
- Bring into the Library anything that is unsafe.
- Smoke or use tobacco products or electronic smoking devices anywhere on library property.
- Possess, consume, or be under the influence of alcohol or illegal substances.

Any individual who in any way interferes with the legitimate use of library facilities, or who disrupts library patrons or staff, may:

- Be asked to leave the library
- Lose library card privileges
- Be banned from library property
- Be subject to arrest

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