



Patron Conduct

The Board of Trustees of the Smithton Public Library District has established the following rules for Patron Conduct in the library. Any user not in compliance with the following rules or who jeopardizes the health or safety of others or acts in a manner inconsiderate of others may be asked to leave. Should an offender not leave when asked to do so, the police will be summoned. Additionally, library privileges may be restricted at the discretion of the library director in response to violations of this policy.

These rules are effective within the library building, its grounds, and in any library-hosted event.

Library Rules

1. Loud, offensive, or threatening language or disruptive behavior will not be permitted. Any behavior that disrupts or interferes with the operation and/or use of the library is prohibited.
2. Improper acts which are subject to prosecution under any criminal or civil codes are prohibited.
3. Soliciting, petitioning, loitering, or any other activity that would interfere with the normal flow of library business is prohibited.
4. Theft, mutilation, or vandalism of library property is prohibited.
5. Users will be appropriately attired, including shirts and shoes.
6. Food and beverages are not permitted at the library's computers. Beverages in containers with secure lids are permitted in the library generally. The definition of such beverage containers is the library director's discretion.
7. Smoking or use of any tobacco product or the use of alcohol is not permitted in the library, on library property, or within 15 feet of the building.
8. Bicycles or other vehicles may not be parked in a manner that blocks or hinders entry to the library.
9. Animals are not permitted in the library, except for companion (working) dogs for the physically disabled and/or for the purpose of library programming.
10. Parents should be aware of and comply with the library's Safe Child policy.
11. Restrooms are not to be used as a bathing facility or by more than one person at a time (except in the case of assisting a small child or where assistance is otherwise required).
12. Library telephones are not for personal use. Library staff may make an exception in case of emergencies.
13. Cell phones and other electronic devices should not be used in a disruptive manner.