

CUSTOMERS - BEHAVIOR POLICY

In order to ensure safety and security and an environment that is appropriate for library use, the Prairie du Chien Library Board of Trustees endorses the following guidelines for behavior:

1. All persons are welcome in the library.
2. Parents or guardians are responsible for the conduct and safety of persons under their care. Counselors are responsible for the conduct and safety of persons who are under their care.
3. Library furniture and equipment available for public use must be used for its intended purpose.
4. Library staff reserves the right to inspect all bags, briefcases, backpacks, containers, books and all similar items.

The following forms of conduct are not permitted:

1. Behavior which may result in disturbing other library users, including, but not limited to, loud talking, running, shoving, throwing things, physical or verbal harassment, or threats.
2. Unauthorized or unscheduled group meetings or activities.
3. Food and beverages, except in approved areas by prior arrangement.
4. Use of tobacco, alcohol, or illegal substances.
5. Entering the library without proper attire, which must include shoes and shirts.
6. Damage, destruction, theft or improper use of library property or facilities.
7. Animals, except service animals, unless authorized.
8. Carrying, displaying, or drawing an unauthorized or dangerous weapon.
9. Entering non-public areas, such as the work room or office.
10. Any form of sexual misconduct, including but not limited to, exposure, offensive touching, or sexual harassment of customers or staff members.
11. Selling, advertising, petitioning, or soliciting for contributions or support, except as authorized.
12. Any illegal act or conduct that violates local, state, or federal law, or regulations and ordinances.

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