

Rules of Conduct Policy for Our Library Patrons

Community Library has adopted these rules of conduct to provide a safe, comfortable environment for all of our patrons. Library patrons are expected to follow all Library policies, including these Rules of Conduct. Failure to do so may result in expulsion from the Library and/or loss of Library privileges.

I. **Applicable Laws and Ordinances**

We expect all our library patrons to abide by the laws of the United States and Wisconsin and the ordinances of the County of Kenosha while at the Library. Vandalizing, destroying, mutilating, and stealing Library property are illegal. The police will be called and any suspected violations of the law will be reported.

II. **Rules of Courtesy**

For the most effective use of the Library, we expect our library patrons to observe normal rules of common courtesy. Library patrons who are not courteous to others will be asked to stop their discourteous behavior or leave the Library. Discourteous behavior which will not be tolerated in the Library includes but is not limited to:

1. Interfering with other patrons' ability to reasonably use the Library
2. Abusive or threatening language or actions
3. Interfering with other patrons' reasonable expectations of privacy
4. Failing to keep personal and/or explicit activity, information, and images private

III. **Prohibited Activities at the Library**

Prohibited activities at any of Community Library's locations include but are not limited to:

1. Smoking or vaping
2. Bringing food or uncovered beverages into the Library, except in lobbies and in meeting rooms
3. Use of alcohol or illegal drugs
4. Littering
5. Leaving children under age 9 unattended
6. Failing to wear shirt or shoes (very young children excepted)
7. Making loud or disturbing noises repeatedly
8. Using skates, skateboards, or scooters on Library premises
9. Soliciting
10. Bringing animals, other than those used as service animals, into the Library
11. Harassing patrons and staff
12. Running