

## COMPUTER - INTERNET - WIRELESS POLICY

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### POLICY PURPOSE:

The Library offers the community access to computers, the Internet, and free wireless. To ensure that these services are used safely, the Board adheres to the following policy:

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#### **Computer Use**

1. Users may not change settings of Library computers.
2. Tampering with or disabling of the Library's computer hardware or software, or introducing viruses is strictly prohibited.
3. The Library's computers are to be used for lawful purposes only.
4. The Library's computers are equipped with software filters in an attempt to prevent access to inappropriate, pornographic or otherwise offensive sites.

#### **Internet Use:**

The Library provides Internet access for patrons equally. Online resources are provided to all library users, except as outlined below:

1. Parents or guardians, not the Library, are responsible for the content accessed by their children.
2. Only parents, or guardians, may restrict their children, and only their children, from resources available at the library.

Any use of the Internet for illegal, inappropriate or obscene purposes is prohibited.

1. Illegal use shall be defined as a violation of local, state or federal law.
2. Inappropriate use shall be defined as a violation of the Library's stated intended purpose, goals and mission.

#### **Wireless Use**

1. The Library provides free filtered wireless access to the Internet. Wireless users must abide by sections *Computer Use* and *Internet Use* of this policy.
2. The Library filters all Internet access. This filter blocks those sites that violate the section *Internet Use* of this policy.
3. The Library cannot guarantee the reliability or availability of wireless access.
4. As with most public wireless networks, the Library's wireless network should not be considered secure. Information transmitted through a wireless network, including credit card numbers, passwords, and other sensitive information, could potentially be intercepted by another computer user.

#### **Violations**

Violations of this policy shall result in suspension of Library services.