Union Public Library
RULES OF CONDUCT

All patrons of the Union Public Library are welcome to use the Library and its resources in a responsible, lawful and courteous manner. These "Rules of Conduct" have been developed to protect the safety of all library patrons, staff and to protect Library property.

Failure to observe these rules of conduct may result in a person being asked to leave the building, loss or suspension of library privileges or they may be subject to arrest.

Those who have privileges denied may have the decision reviewed by writing to the Library Board of Trustees.

1. Food is not permitted inside the library or on the outdoor patios. Drinks are allowed in covered, spill-proof containers except near computers.
2. Smoking or using tobacco or tobacco products in the library is prohibited.
3. The use of alcohol or drugs on library premises is prohibited.
4. No Littering.
5. No Sleeping.
6. Bringing bicycles, skateboards or similar equipment into the library is prohibited.
7. Do not obstruct the entrance of the library.
8. Do not rearrange or relocate any library furniture or equipment.
9. Do not block aisles or doorways with personal items or leave such items unattended in the library at any time. Items may be removed if they reasonably appear to be abandoned or have been left unattended for 20 minutes or more. Staff are not responsible for monitoring personal items of patrons.
10. Enjoy the use of library materials but do not mutilate, damage, deface or steal library property or the property of others.
11. Harassing another patron or library staff member for any reason is not acceptable; nor is interfering with the use of the library by other patrons or interfering with library staff in performance of their duties. This includes but is not limited to loud talking or laughing, using obscene or abusive language, fighting, throwing objects or other boisterous behavior–library staff will make final determination of what is acceptable behavior.
12. Any unlawful behavior or violation of any local, state or federal criminal statute is also not acceptable inside or around library property.
13. No solicitation of any kind unless approved by the Director and Board of Trustees.
14. Regarding Personal Electronics: we require that visitors have no audible ringers on cell phones. Please limit speaking on mobile devices to outside the building and away from outdoor patios; also, using personal electronic devices without earphones is not permitted.
15. Photographing any aspect of library operations without written permission of the Library Director and Board of Trustees is not permitted.
16. Bringing animals into the library, except those trained as assistance animals for individuals with disabilities is prohibited.
17. Do not use the restrooms for activities other than their intended purpose. Intended purposes do not include bathing, shaving, hair washing, laundry, or any other activities not typically conducted in a public restroom.
18. Lack of personal hygiene that is offensive as to constitute a nuisance to other persons.
19. Patrons must wear clothing and footwear in the library.
20. Patrons must adhere to the Unattended Children's Policy.
21. Unsafe behavior on the patio is prohibited. This includes climbing on/over railings or furniture, throwing objects, running, horseplay, or any actions that could result in injury or damage.

The Library reserves the right to inspect all backpacks, bags, book bags, satchels and briefcases.

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