Ford City Public Library Policies



Prohibited Behaviors at Library

The following behaviors are not permitted in the Library or on Library grounds. Failure to comply with any part of this policy may result in the loss of Library privileges and/or legal action.

- Harassing or threatening behavior
- Eating or drinking in stacks and computer areas
- Use of tobacco products, electronic smoking devices, alcohol, or illegal drugs
- Possession of tobacco, electronic smoking, or other drug related paraphernalia
- Inadequate attire (i.e. shirt and shoes required)
- Loud or disruptive behavior
- Exhibiting symptoms of communicable diseases
- Damaging, destroying or unlawfully removing library materials or property
- Use of any sports equipment (i.e. skateboards, rollerblades, heelies)
- Weapons or explosives of any kind (unless worn by uniformed officials)
- Improper acts that are subject to prosecution under criminal or civil codes
- Other acts deemed inappropriate or unsafe by library personnel

Additionally, patrons should be aware of the following:

- Library users are responsible for compliance with copyright laws.
- Those who violate the computer and Internet use policies will be subject to a 7 day suspension of computer privileges or, in more severe cases, permanent loss of computer privileges, which will not be reinstated without the approval of the Library Board of Trustees. Patrons wishing to appeal library management decisions should request to have their appeal heard at the Board of Trustee's monthly public meeting.
- If the offense is serious enough or frequent, the Library will enforce its rules by asking the individual(s) to leave the facility by declaring that the individual(s) may not trespass on library property, or if there is an immediate threat, by calling the local police.
- In order to ensure a safe environment for patrons to utilize the library to its maximum potential, a patron exhibiting symptoms of communicable diseases may be asked to leave the library premises at the discretion of library staff. Alternative, no-contact library services are available as substitute to in-person services including 24/7 Wi-Fi access outside the building, wireless printing, Library Take Out for materials, and access to digital services, databases, and e-materials.