

W. G. Rhea Public Library Patron Behavior Policies

HAVE RESPECT FOR OTHER PEOPLE AND PROPERTY

Behavior Which Will Result in Being Asked to Leave the Library:

Behavior that may be prosecutable offenses and/or turned into police

- 1) Abusive, threatening, or menacing language
- 2) Physical, sexual, or verbal harassment of an individual, public, or staff. This includes internet or other computer resources.
- 3) Intentional disruptive behavior that disturbs other patrons working in the area
- 4) Taunting, following, stalking, provoking or challenging an individual
- 5) Fighting or wrestling
- 6) Threatening harm to persons or property
- 7) Unauthorized possession of library materials
- 8) Exhibiting unacceptable behavior which indicates an individual is under the influence of alcohol, or any controlled substance
- 9) Action which result in the destruction, mutilation, or damage of library property, facilities, staff property or vehicles
- 10) Failure to wear shoes/shirts etc.
- 11) Any illegal act such as but not limited to the following of TCA 40-39-216 on Sex Offenders Restricting access to library
- 12) Trespassing in a non-public area of the library
- 13) Sleeping
- 14) Eating and/or drinking except at a library event
- 15) Smoking/tobacco chewing/use of e cigarettes /drugs
- 16) Panhandling
- 17) Horseplay
- 18) Loud talk or laughter
- 19) Use of public restrooms or library facilities for bathing, shaving, laundering purposes or sexual contact
- 20) Interfering with access or egress
- 21) Offensive or pervasive odor that constitutes a nuisance to other customers or staff is not permitted
- 22) No pets allowed except for service dogs that are properly identified as Service animals
- 23) Carrying any item that is deemed to be a weapon
- 24) Inappropriate clothing or lack of clothing
- 25) Cell phone cannot be used in library

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