

## **Policy 1 – BEHAVIOR**

### **1.01 General**

To ensure a safe, comfortable environment for all people to use the Library, certain behaviors are not allowed in the Library

### **1.02 Prohibited Behaviors:**

- (a) Bare feet or lack of upper-body covering
- (b) Disruptive or unsafe behavior such as loud talking, loud audio equipment, use of profanity, running, throwing things, hitting, pushing, or shoving
- (c) Leaving vulnerable children unsupervised in the library (see Unattended Children Policy)
- (d) Animals, except assistance dogs or animals which are part of a library sponsored activity
- (e) Riding bicycles, scooters, skates or skate boards
- (f) Obstructing passageways/blocking access to the library or any part of the library
- (g) Threats or harassment of another person, including following a person, threatening, taunting, or inflicting physical or verbal abuse
- (h) Stealing, damaging, altering or attempting to alter any property of the library
- (i) Viewing, in plain sight, materials which are inappropriate for the surroundings, including potential passersby
- (j) Excessive displays of public affection
- (k) Poor personal hygiene that is offensive or constitutes a nuisance to others
- (l) Lying down or sleeping in the library
- (m) Smoking, chewing tobacco, or using other tobacco products
- (n) Consuming alcoholic beverages or possessing or consuming illegal drugs on library property
- (o) Indecent exposure/public indecency
- (p) Soliciting or panhandling
- (q) Washing clothes or bathing on library property
- (r) Possession of any weapon
- (s) Any other behaviors deemed inappropriate by a staff member

### **1.03 Enforcement**

- (a) Patrons who will not respect this request may be asked to leave the library, have library privileges suspended, or be subject to legal action.
- (b) Those refusing to leave may be subject to arrest under trespass laws.

#### 1.04 Revision History

- (a) Revised and Approved by the Library Director and Board of Trustees \_\_\_\_\_, 2022

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