

INTERNET USE POLICY

The library is providing access to the internet as a means to enhance the information and learning opportunities for the citizens of the library's service area. Access to the internet is available to students only. Members of staff can access the internet service from 8am to 10am, before the library opens.

Expectations

Users should be aware that the inappropriate use of electronic information resources can be a violation of local, state laws and can lead to prosecution. The user will be held responsible for his/her actions using the internet. Users are expected to abide by the policies below which include generally accepted rules of network etiquette. Unacceptable uses of the service will result in the suspension of internet use privileges.

The library has no control over the content found on the internet. The library will not censure access to material nor protect users from offensive information, and it is not responsible for the availability and accuracy of information found on the internet. The library cannot assure the data or files downloaded by users are virus free. The library is not responsible for damages to equipment or data on the user's personal computer from the use of data downloaded from the library's internet service.

Guidelines

- Users may use the internet for research and the acquisition of information to address their educational, vocational, cultural and recreational needs.
- Users may use the internet for the receipt and transmission of electronic mail (e-mail) as long as they use a free e-mail service which will establish and maintain an account for them. The library is unable to manage e-mail accounts for any organisations or individuals.
- Internet use is offered in thirty minutes sessions on a first-come first serve basis. Each user is allowed one session, the user must abandon use of the internet if another patron request use of the service.
- Users will respect and uphold copyright laws and all other applicable laws and regulations, they will not use it for illegal purposes.
- Users will respect the rights and privacy of others by not accessing private files.
- Users agree not to incur any cost for the library through their use of the internet service.
- Users shall not create and/or distribute computer viruses over the internet.
- Users shall not deliberately or wilfully cause damage to computer equipment, programs or parameters.
- Access to pornographic materials is not allowed.

