

Parent/Caregiver Library Partnership

We want all library customers to have successful, positive experiences during library visits. This is especially true for children who are developing reading and information seeking practices. We want to work with parents and caregivers to provide positive experiences for children. We invite parents and caregivers to join us in the following partnership.

1. We encourage library customers to tell us if they are unsuccessful in finding the information or materials they want. We welcome suggestions for materials that will broaden the collections and improve service.
2. We encourage parents and caregivers to participate in children's library experiences. We expect parents to be responsible for the materials their children borrow from the library. Parents are also responsible for children's Internet use. Please remember that the library's staff's professional services do not include baby-sitting or childcare.
3. We expect parents and caregivers to understand and to explain library procedures and appropriate behavior to children. Procedures for library use have been developed to safeguard library materials and to ensure fairness for all library users.
4. We expect that children under age 12 will be accompanied by a responsible caregiver while visiting the library.
5. We expect all library customers to use appropriate language and behavior while on library property. Those who do not may be asked to leave.
6. We expect parents and caregivers to manage children's inappropriate behavior during library visits and to demonstrate appropriate behavior by monitoring their own voices and socializing.
7. We expect parents and caregivers to set age appropriate time limits for children's library visits. Parents and caregivers are expected to know the library's operating hours and pick up children before the library closes.
8. We expect parents to see that overdue fines and other fees are paid promptly. Parents are financially responsible for charges incurred by children. We appreciate your support and cooperation in this partnership.

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