

Allegan District Library Code of Conduct

Scope and Purpose

To allow all patrons of the Allegan District Library to use its facilities to the fullest extent during regularly scheduled hours, the Library Board of Trustees has adopted the following rules and regulations:

- Patrons shall respect the rights of other patrons to access the library building and materials.
- Patrons shall not harass or annoy others through noisy or boisterous activities, by displaying print or non-print materials of an offensive nature to others, or by behaving in a manner that can be reasonably expected to disturb others.
- Children under age eight must be accompanied by a parent or other responsible adult when using the library.
- Patrons shall not use tobacco products, electronic cigarettes, or “vapes” inside the library building or within 25 feet of any entrances to the building.
- Patrons shall consume food only in designated areas. Covered beverages are allowed throughout the library.
- Patrons shall not use, consume, or be under the influence of alcohol, cannabis, or illicit drugs while on library property.
- Patrons shall wear a shirt and shoes at all times while on library property.
- Patrons shall not deface or mar library materials or furnishings, or other library property.

Violations of the ADL Code of Conduct may result in expulsion from the Library, with or without verbal warning, at the discretion of Library staff. If patron behavior is serious, threatening, or willfully malicious, law enforcement may be contacted to assist in patron removal from the premises. Patrons who are unwilling to leave, or do not leave within a reasonable amount of time, may also have law enforcement contacted to assist in their removal. Serious or repeat offenders may be barred from the Library at the discretion of the Director.

Review

This policy will be reviewed by the Facilities Committee every four years.

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