Behavior Policy

Acceptable behavior and reasonably quiet atmosphere shall be required of patrons using the Library so that research, study, browsing and programs may be conducted without disruption to services.

Among actions considered unacceptable within or surrounding the Library’s premises are excessive or loud talking, running, fighting, loitering or excessive socializing, sleeping, harassment of others, substance abuse, use of sports equipment. Food, beverages and pets (except guide animals) shall be prohibited from the interior.

Shoes and shirt shall be required dress for persons using the Library.

Respect for Library personnel and other patrons shall be required. Any destruction or theft of Library property (structure, equipment, furnishings, books of other materials) shall be prosecuted under the law.

Any patron who, by his or her conduct, disturbs the use of the Barrington Public Library may be ejected from the Library premises by any member of the Library staff or their agents. Any patron who is ejected shall not be permitted to return to the Library premises prior to the next day the Library shall be open for use. Any patron who shall have been ejected from the Library twice within any ninety (90) day period shall not be permitted to return to the Library for a period of six (6) months following the last such incident; and shall have his or her Library privileges revoked during that period. The Library Director shall keep a record of such ejections. The Library Director may shorten the six-month period of suspension as he or she deems appropriate after conference with the offender (and if the offender be a minor, with a parent or guardian of the offender).

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