

Rules of Conduct Policy

Please Enjoy the Library and Respect its Use by Others

The Board of the James Prendergast Library has established rules of behavior that customers must adhere to when in a library branch or on library property. These rules serve to: make the library a welcoming and safe place for customers, maintain a safe workplace for staff, preserve and protect the library's materials, facilities and property. Please help us by adhering to the following:

Rules of Conduct While Using the James Prendergast Library:

Please:

- Follow the rules for library computer use as outlined in the Internet Use Agreement.
- Wear shoes and shirts.
- Keep food and beverages in designated areas.

Please do not:

- Use personal electronic equipment, or talk, either on the phone or in person, in a volume that causes a significant disturbance to others.
- For the adult computer lab, no more than one person at a computer terminal at a time.
- Block entrances, exits, aisles or any other space designed for customers to access the library's collections or services.
- Run, push, jump or climb.
- Leave children under age 8 unattended. The library is not responsible for unattended children. Children under age 8 must be accompanied and directly supervised by an adult, at all times, in all areas of the library and on its grounds.
- Use bicycles, skateboards, roller skates, or other sports equipment in the building or on library grounds.
- Damage library equipment and materials.
- Bring pets inside the library (with the exception of service animals), except as allowed by library-approved events.
- Smoke or use alcohol on library property. Smoking is defined as: "The combustion of any cigar, cigarette, tobacco or any similar article or any other combustible substance in any manner or in any form or the heating or ignition of an e-cigarette which creates a vapor."
- Act in ways that disrespect or threaten other library users or library staff.
- Solicit, petition or distribute material inside or outside of the library that has not been approved by the library.
- Sleep in the library or on library property.
- Commit or attempt to commit any action that is a violation of federal, state or local laws.