



Bridgeville Public Library Patron Behavior Policy

By entering the Bridgeville Public Library, you are agreeing to act with courtesy towards all other patrons and staff, act respectfully in regards to public property, and to follow library rules. Library rules are as follows:

- Be respectful of all library staff and other library patrons
- Maintain appropriate attire: Shirt, shoes, and pants must be worn at all times
- Keep all valuables and personal property with you at all times; the library is not responsible for lost items.
- Maintain appropriate noise levels: Take extended cell phone conversations into the hallway or outside the library. No speakerphone allowed. For all other conversations, keep the volume to a low level.
- Comply with the library's Internet Safety and Computer Use Policy
Complete policy available upon request
- Supervise children ages eight (8) years and under at all times
Unattended Child Policy available upon request
- Comply with the library's Food and Drink Policy: All drinks must have a lid. Food is not permitted at computer stations. Notify staff immediately of any spills.

The following behaviors are **NOT PERMITTED** in the library:

- Disruptive Behavior of any kind; including, but not limited to:
 - Violence of any kind
 - Illegal activity of any kind
 - Disorderly conduct, drunken, dangerous or threatening behavior, fighting or challenging to fight
 - Any form of harassment- sexual, physical or verbal towards library staff patrons, or volunteers
 - Sexually explicit language or conduct
 - Display of sexually explicit materials or websites
 - Carrying or displaying weapons of any type
 - Consumption of alcohol except by permission during special library events
 - Use of tobacco or illegal drugs including e-cigarettes and vaping
 - Destruction or theft of library materials or property
 - Selling and/or soliciting for services, money, items, or signatures, except for library-related activities
 - Bringing in animals other than authorized service animals
 - Refusing to comply with the reasonable direction of a staff member

See reverse for **Noncompliance Procedure**

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NONCOMPLIANCE

This list of behaviors is not all-inclusive and may be modified at any time by the library. Failure to comply with this policy and the library's established rules, regulations, and procedures will result in a warning and may also result in exclusion from the library for the day, a specified period of time, or permanently, and/or in arrest.

Communication of threats, physical violence or sexual offenses will result in permanent exclusion and/or arrest.

Any person who is asked to leave the library due to a violation of these guidelines and refuses to do so shall be considered to be trespassing. The library staff will contact the Bridgeville Police Department in all such cases, in order to eject the patron from the library.

The library staff may also contact the Bridgeville Police Department at times when staff deem this necessary or prudent.

Any patron whose privileges have been denied by library staff may appeal the decision to the Bridgeville Public Library Board of Trustees within sixty (60) days of the decision. The Library Board's decision is final.