

HENDRICK HUDSON FREE LIBRARY CODE OF CONDUCT

The Hendrick Hudson Free Library Board of Trustees invites all our patrons to enjoy the Library, its collection, programs, grounds and services. To ensure that all patrons are able to use the Library efficiently and without disruption, patrons must adhere to the following rules and regulations.

Library users must respect the rights and privileges of all users. Any behavior which interferes with the use of the Library by others is prohibited.

The following activities are prohibited in the Library or Library grounds:

- drinking of alcoholic beverages and use of recreational or illicit drugs
- any loud or abusive language to staff or patrons
- action which disrupts the orderly operation of the Library, or the work of staff
- engaging in activity deemed by the Library Director, Business Manager, their designee, or the Board of Trustees to be threatening to or endangering patrons, staff or property of the Library
- mutilating, damaging, or defacing Library property, materials, building or grounds
- smoking or vaping in the building or on the Library grounds, except in any location specifically designated on the grounds as permitting smoking
- consumption of food near computer terminals
- congregating in traffic aisles, study areas, vestibules, public entrances, and fire exits
- distributing or posting material without permission
- inappropriate use of furniture and equipment
- using audio equipment if the sound is audible to others
- running, skateboarding, or rollerblading
- selling or distributing goods or services, except for Library related activities
- soliciting contributions or signatures
- leaving children unattended (see Unattended Children Policy)
- unauthorized entry to staff work or lounge areas
- unauthorized use of the Community Room
- going shirtless or barefoot, or wearing inappropriate attire
- unauthorized exit through fire exit doors
- animals (except service dogs)
- photography, video or sound recording of Library users, staff, interiors, or exteriors without prior approval of the Library Director or Director's designee (see Recording in the Library Policy)
- violation of Public Access Computer Policy or Wireless Network Policy
- sleeping in the library or on its grounds (including when the library is closed)
- extremely poor or odorous hygiene which interferes with the ability of patrons to enjoy the library and/or the staff's ability to do their jobs

PERSONAL PROPERTY: Patrons are advised to protect personal property and should not leave their property unattended. The Library is not responsible for the loss or damage to personal property.

IMPORTANT PLEASE NOTE

Staff members are authorized to ask persons who violate these rules to leave the Library grounds immediately. Repeated violations of these rules may result in violators being banned from the Library and grounds.

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