

# Appropriate Library Use Policy

Skokie Public Library is committed to providing our patrons with a high-quality, satisfying experience when they use the Library's facilities, services and materials. To this end, a well-trained, friendly staff will assist patrons in using Library services and in finding the materials and information they seek.

1. Patrons using the Library are to conduct themselves in a manner appropriate to the Library's vision and mission. Disruptive behavior affecting staff and other patrons is prohibited.
2. Smoking is not allowed on Library property, including the parking lots.
3. Non-alcoholic beverages in covered containers are permitted in the Library and water is permitted in the Petty Auditorium. Eating in the Library is limited to the Refreshment Center located in the book sale room on the west side of the Library.
4. Cell phones may be used for conversation in the vestibules, lobbies, near the elevators and in the study rooms.
5. Parents are responsible for their children's behavior. Children under the age of eight must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver of high school age or older. All children should be picked up before 9 pm. If children are still here at 9:30 pm, the police will be called.
6. Theft, vandalism, and mutilation of Library property are considered crimes and will be prosecuted. The Library reserves the right to inspect all backpacks, bags, briefcases, and purses when staff members believe that this rule has been violated.
7. Selling products/services or soliciting donations is not permitted on Library property.
8. Taking photographs, taking videos, distributing leaflets, and petitioning on Library property requires authorization of the Library administration.