Arnolds Park Library Computer and Internet Policy

Public Use of Computers:

There are five computers available for public use. All five computers have access to our card catalog. Laptop computers may not be moved around the library. Library computers are not available for checkout and will remain in the library at all times.

Computer Usage:

There is no set time limit for computer usage as long as no one is waiting. In the event of high computer usage time will be limited to one hour. A sign-up sheet is available at the desk.

Patrons may reserve computer time in advance. Computers are reserved for one hour. Additional time can be reserved at library staff's discretion.

Printer:

Printer services are available to all patrons. The cost of printing, scanning, and faxing is posted by the computers.

Food: No food or drink will be allowed in the computer area.

Sound:

The sound will be turned down on computers at all times. If patrons wish to use sound, headphones are available for use at the front desk.

Data and viruses:
No changes may be made in the configuration of the computers (i.e. no icons may be deleted or added, no software may be loaded, etc.). Only the library staff may change the configuration. The library is not responsible for lost data.
The library computers are used by many people and it is possible that viruses may be present. Viruses could be spread to disks or drives that are put into the computer. The library purchases anti-virus software to help keep our public computers as safe as possible.
Individuals may not access material that may be harmful to minors.

Public Use of the Internet:

The library endorses the principle of the freedom to read and the freedom to view any legally available material. The internet offers a wealth of information resources. However, the internet also contains information that may be inaccurate, outdated, or personally offensive.

No one may send, receive, or display text or pictures that may reasonably be construed as obscene or that create a hostile or intimidating environment. Patron(s) in violation of this rule will be asked to leave the library.

The library cannot guarantee confidentiality or privacy in use of the internet.

Wireless Access:

The library provides wireless access to the internet. The library policy applies to both library public access computers and patron electronic devices. The library does not take responsibility for patron equipment used in the library.

Children (under 18) Using the Computers and Internet:

Parents, and only parents, are responsible for monitoring their children's internet use and for enforcing any restrictions on that use.

Parents need to stress to their children the danger of any disclosure of personal information over the internet.

Minors who choose to look at material considered inappropriate or offensive per this policy will be asked to leave the library.

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