

Patron Behavior Policy

Welcome to the Alexandria-Monroe Public Library! We ask for your cooperation in maintaining an environment conducive to reading, information gathering, and providing an enjoyable environment for every library patron. Patron's are responsible for their behavior, the behavior of their children, and personal belongings.

THE FOLLOWING BEHAVIORS ARE NOT PERMITTED ON LIBRARY PROPERTY:

- Engaging in acts which are subject to prosecution under criminal codes of law.
- Engaging in any indecent or obscene conduct or making any indecent exposure of one's person
- Creating a disturbance by loud or aggressive behavior, running, profanity, indecent or obscene language or gestures, or abusive language.
- Damaging, misusing, monopolizing or vandalizing library facilities, equipment, or circulating materials.
- Using restrooms improperly, including but not limited to bathing, shaving and engaging in disruptive behaviors.
- Possessing or being under the influence of alcohol or illegal controlled substances
- Harassing other library users or staff including, but not limited to, excessive conversation, unwelcome advances, or verbal, physical, or sexual abuse.
- Removing library materials without properly checking them out
- Abandoning, leaving, neglecting, or not properly supervising children.
- Using tobacco products, having food or drink in restricted areas, or sleeping
- Selling, soliciting, panhandling or otherwise approaching patrons or staff members with items for sale or pleas for donations without prior Director approval
- Using bicycles, skateboards, rollerblades or scooters in the library
- Blocking any entrance, aisle, or exit or improperly exiting the building
- Entering office/workroom areas unless invited by a staff member or with prior written permission from the Director\
- Refusing to vacate building at closing or habitually hindering proper building closure
- Distributing or posting printed materials without prior Director approval
- Bringing in any animals except service animals without prior Director approval
- Entering building without shoes and/or shirt
- Using personal electronic equipment that is audible to others
- Failure to adhere to and abide by any other established library policies or rules.

Failure to adhere to the rules set forth by this policy can result in suspension of library privileges or banishment depending on the severity of the behavior. The nature and duration of the disciplinary actions taken are left up to the discretion of the Director.