



Library Rules of Conduct

The Freeport Community Library is open to the public for the purpose of reading, studying, researching and quiet use of library materials, facilities, and equipment. While at the library, in order to maintain a safe and welcoming environment, patrons are to be engaged in the activities associated with the use of a library.

Patrons MAY NOT do any of the following:

- Talk loudly or play personal audio devices loud enough to disrupt the quiet use of the library by others.
- Eat in the library except for events in the large meeting room - (covered drinks allowed in all areas).
- Harass patrons or staff, or act in any disorderly manner; use obscene or abusive language.
- Violate posted computer usage rules.
- Damage, steal, or misuse library property.
- Sleep, solicit, or block aisles, entryways or exits.
- Use restrooms for bathing or washing clothes.
- Put feet on chairs or tables or rearrange furniture.
- Be under the influence of alcohol or drugs or engage in any manner of substance abuse.
- Leave children under the age of eight or dependent persons unattended.
- Bring pets or other animals into the library except trained service animals.
- Enter the building without appropriate clothing including shoes.
- Filming/recording in the library should not impede library operations nor invade the privacy of library users.
While the library is a public place, it is considered a “limited public forum” under federal law therefore some restrictions on activity are permitted.
- Leave bags and other personal items unattended. Unattended items are subject to confiscation. The library is not responsible for personal items that are lost, stolen, or damaged in or on the grounds.
- Run, play ball/tag/roughhousing, or do any kind of sports through the library or on library property.
- Engage in any other conduct which:
 - Is inconsistent with the purpose of the library
 - Disrupts the orderly operation of the library
 - Interferes with the use of the library by others