Computer and Internet Use Policy

Policy Statement

The Cambridge Public Library offers access to a broad range of information resources, including internet resources, to advance our mission to welcome all, inspire minds, and empower community. In keeping with our commitment to intellectual freedom, we provide unfiltered internet access via library computers and Wi-Fi. All Library locations offer printers and scanners for public use.

Patron Responsibility

Patrons accessing the internet at the Library must comply with the Patron Behavior Policy. Violations of Behavior Policy may result in loss of privileges or suspension of access to the Library. You must not use library computers or internet access for any illegal purpose. Any potentially criminal behavior will be reported to the police for investigation.

The Library and its employees assume no responsibility for damages of any type arising from your use of the internet through the Library's network. We cannot guarantee the privacy of data that is transmitted through the internet. We cannot control the information available over the internet and are not responsible for its content. Some websites provide information that is inaccurate, incomplete, or dated, and some content may be offensive or disturbing. Content accessed through the internet is not governed by the Library Collection Development Policy.

Parent and Guardian Responsibility

Parents and guardians are responsible for monitoring internet access for their children.

Limitations of Use

We may place limitations on time and manner of computer use to allocate computer and internet access as equitably as possible.

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