



Internet Use Policy

The Floyd Memorial Library provides access to the Internet as a means to enhance the information and learning opportunities for the library's patrons. The Board of Trustees has established the Internet use policy to ensure appropriate and effective use of this resource.

Access to the Internet is available to all patrons and visitors. However, this service may be restricted at any time for use that is inconsistent with the guidelines. Parents of minor children must assume responsibility for their children's use of the library's Internet service.

Expectations

Users should be aware that the inappropriate use of electronic information resources can be a violation of local, state, and federal laws and can lead to prosecution. The user will be held responsible for his/her actions using the Internet. Users are expected to abide by the policies below, which include generally accepted rules of network etiquette. Unacceptable uses of the service will result in the suspension or revocation of Internet use privileges.

Warnings

The Internet is a decentralized, unmoderated global network, and the Floyd Memorial Library has no control over content found there. The library will not censor access to material nor protect users from offensive information, and it is not responsible for the availability and accuracy of information on the Internet.

The library cannot assure that data or files downloaded by users are virus-free. The library is not responsible for damages to equipment or data on a user's personal computer from the use of data downloaded from the library's Internet service.

The use of the Internet and e-mail is not guaranteed to be private. Messages relating to or in support of illegal activities will be reported to the proper authorities.

Guidelines

Users may use the Internet for research and the acquisition of information to address their educational, vocational, cultural, and recreational needs.

Users may use the Internet for the receipt and transmission of electronic mail (e-mail) as long as they use a free e-mail service that will establish and maintain an account for them. The library is unable to manage email accounts for any organization or individual.

- Internet use is offered on a first-come, first-served basis.

- Users will respect and uphold copyright laws and all other applicable laws and regulations. They will not use the Internet for illegal purposes.
- Users will respect the rights and privacy of others by not accessing private files.
- Users agree not to incur any costs for the library through their use of the Internet service.
- Users shall not create and/or distribute computer viruses over the Internet.
- Users shall not deliberately or willfully cause damage to computer equipment, programs, or parameters.