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Brooks Memorial Library Behavior Code

Brooks Memorial Library supports the *Library Bill of Rights* in all its interpretations by the American Library Association.

BR8-1 Purpose

The purpose of the Behavior Code is to maintain an atmosphere that promotes the use and enjoyment of the resources and services of the Library; promotes the safety of the general public and the Library staff; and protects the building, furniture, equipment, and materials of the Library.

BR8-2 Rules for Library Behavior

- Show respect for everyone in the Library. Use appropriate language and behavior. Behavior that is disruptive or that disturbs others is prohibited.
- Treat Library property with care. Theft of Library property or any purposeful damage done to the material, equipment, furniture, building, or property of the Library is against the law.
- Personal items must be stored away from common walkways. Library staff is not responsible for items left unattended.
- Carrying weapons of any type on Library property is not permissible except by law enforcement officers.
- Appropriate attire, including shirts and shoes, is required.
- As a courtesy to others, cell phones, pagers and other electronic devices must be set to silent or vibrating mode. Cell phone conversations must be held in designated areas. These areas will be determined by the Library director.
- Food and drink are allowed in designated areas only.

In accordance with town policies and state law,

- Smoking, alcohol and illegal drugs are not permitted on Library property.
- Animals are not permitted, with the exception of service animals.
- Soliciting is not allowed.

Library staff has the responsibility and the authority to take steps to ensure that the rules are enforced. The judgment of the Library staff shall determine what is considered inappropriate or unsafe behavior. Please bring any concerns about possible violations of this policy to the attention of the Library staff.

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