CODE OF CONDUCT NOTICE

The Elkhart Public Library endeavors to provide a welcoming environment in which the Library staff may serve people of every background, opinion, and socio-economic status, appearance, and lifestyle. To do so, certain standards of behavior, decency, respect and decorum will be maintained. **Persons who violate these rules may be asked to leave the Library, or, if appropriate, be subject to arrest.**

These circumstances include, but are not limited to:

- Actions which put the life or safety of another person in the library in danger.
- Any situation in which a person is observed attempting to steal, damage, or destroy library property or the property of another library user or employee.
- Any situation in which a person disturbs library staff or other library users.

Inappropriate behavior includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- Eating
- Excessive Noise
- Exhibitionism
- Gambling
- Intentional Use of Another Person's Library Card
- Molestation
- Obscene Language
- Panhandling

- Public Intoxication
- Running or Roughhousing
- Smoking
- Solicitation
- Unwanted Physical Contact
- Vaping
- Verbal Abuse
- Viewing Pornography
- Voyeurism

Children seven years old and younger must be accompanied by, and actively supervised by, a responsible caregiver who is at least fourteen years of age. Children eight to ten years of age must have a caregiver who is at least fourteen years of age in the building at all times. Violations of this rule are subject to the Unattended Children’s Policy.

Violation of the rules may also include permanent suspension of library card privileges.

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