

MCCPL Children's and Young Adult Department Policies

The Children's Department is for children up to the age of 11.

The Young Adult Department is for teens from 12 up to 18 years of age. When all seats in the Young Adult Department are occupied, students are to be sent to the Children's Department for seating. Patrons age 19 and up are to be sent to Reference for seating and/or computers.

A responsible adult must accompany all children under the age of 8. No child under the age of 16 may be responsible for younger children. Children ages 8 and up may stay in the Children's Department by themselves.

Seating for adult patrons not accompanying a child may be found in the lobby or the second floor. Adults may only use computers in the Computer Lab or Reference Department on the second floor.

ALL ORDERS OF LIBRARY STAFF AND SECURITY PERSONNEL MUST BE OBEYED.

DISRESPECT OF THE LIBRARY STAFF, RUDE TREATMENT, AND/OR OFFENSIVE LANGUAGE TOWARD LIBRARY STAFF WILL NOT BE TOLERATED.

Acceptable Behavior in Children's and Young Adult Department:

- Speaking in a low tone
- Stepping into the hallway or foyer to make a phone call
- Limiting personal grooming to the restroom
- Using the charging station to charge phones and other small devices
- Remaining seated unless searching the shelves for books
- Speaking respectfully to library staff
- Keeping feet on the floor at all times
- Respecting and obeying library staff and security personnel

Unacceptable Behavior in the Children's and Young Adult Department:

- Gathering around computers
- Plugging cell phones into wall outlets (Use the docking stations)
- Placing personal items in walkways
- Leaving young children unattended or allowing them to roam the library without supervision of an adult
- Obscene language
- Rough housing, running, or yelling

- Excessive public displays of affection (EX: Sitting in laps, kissing, etc.)
- Sagging pants, Absence of shoes, shirts, or showing of undergarments
- Theft (**Two Week Suspension**)
- Playing music without proper use of earbuds/earphones
- Moving furniture without Department staff approval
- Bullying/Picking on other patrons/staff (**Two Week Suspension**)
- Fighting (**Two Week Suspension**)
- Sitting on the floor
- Seating more than one person to a chair
- Leaving personal items unattended
- Eating or drinking (exception: water)
- Turning off/on lights

I understand the terms and conditions of the Children and Young Adult Department and I plan to follow the rules.

Print Student Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Phone (Optional): _____