

Youth Services Department Usage Policy

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The Youth Services Department, located on the first floor of the Stickney Forest-View Public Library District, is specifically designed for use by youth ages birth through 5th grade. Youth Services staff shall monitor the area to provide assistance and to ensure appropriate access by this age group.

This dedicated area addresses needs and provides resources specifically for these users, including PCs with Internet access, a big screen TV with VGA/HDMI/RCA ports for connecting devices, study tables and programs.

This space also includes a dedicated space for 3rd-5th graders.

All activities and programs in the Youth Services Department are designed solely for this age group; no other patrons or programs will be accommodated in this area. Adults wishing to browse and checkout the collection in the Youth Services Department are welcome to do so, but the study space and equipment are reserved exclusively for use by youth. Parents and siblings may be in the space if they are accompanied by youth ages birth through 5th grade.

As this space is an open area and best suited for informal use, advance reservations for separate, private meetings will not be accepted.

The Stickney-Forest View Public Library District is committed to providing an inviting and safe space for youth to engage in individual and group activities. We recognize that the social nature and unique characteristics of this age group require a separate space designed for their needs.

Guidelines

- The Youth Services Department is open during all regular Library hours.
- Signs are posted to indicate the age group permitted in this specific area and to restrict other users from the area.
- Youth Services staff, as well as other staff, monitor and resolve behavior problems.
- The Patron Code of Conduct of the Stickney-Forest View Public Library District applies to behavior in the Youth Services Department.
- Those who fail to conform to the Patron Code of Conduct and comply with other Library policies will be asked to vacate the Youth Services Department.

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