

# **Dell Rapids Carnegie Public Library Computer and Internet Use Policy**

The Dell Rapids Carnegie Public Library provides computers which allow public access to a variety of electronic resources, including the Internet. In order to use a computer, users must read and sign the Guidelines and Disclaimer that appear below. In addition to these guidelines, all other rules of the library must also be observed while using the computers. The library staff reserves the right to terminate computer use at any time for any infraction of these guidelines or other library policies.

## **Guidelines**

1. In order to provide equitable access to all, users must sign up to use a computer and will use the terminal assigned by library staff. Sessions may be limited to 30 minutes during times of high demand.
2. Children aged 0–6 must be accompanied by a parent, guardian, or caretaker when using the Internet. Children aged 7–17 may use the Internet unattended. The Guidelines and Disclaimer must be signed by the child’s parent, guardian, or caretaker.
3. Computers may only be used for legal purposes. Examples of illegal use include, but are not limited to, the following:
  - \* attempting to change or damage computer equipment, software, configuration, files, or data
  - \* gambling
  - \* sending, receiving, or displaying text or graphics that is obscene or harmful to minors
  - \* Any violation of copyright laws and licensing agreements
4. Files may not be saved to the library computers.
5. All printed pages must be paid for at the end of the session.
6. Users are asked to respect the privacy of other computer users.

## **Disclaimer**

The library cannot ensure the availability or the accuracy of external electronic resources. Like print materials, not all electronic sources provide accurate, complete or current information. Users are responsible for evaluating the accuracy of material found on the Internet.

According to current state law, all public libraries must establish measures to restrict minors from computer access to obscene material. The Library Board of Trustees has chosen to accomplish this by installing software to block obscene materials available on the Internet. However, parents, guardians, and caretakers are responsible for their children’s use of the Internet through the library’s connection. The Library Board of Trustees and the City of Dell Rapids and its employees claim no liability for any objectionable material any user of the service may encounter on the Internet system.

I have read and understand the guidelines and disclaimer. I realize that the City of Dell Rapids, its employees, and the Library Board of Trustees may not be held liable for any material that may be accessed through the Internet system. The undersigned certifies the following members are covered by this document:

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