
**Tri-Community Library
Internet Acceptable Use Policy
Computer Use Policy**

Introduction:

- The Tri-Community Library provides its patrons with free computer access, including access to the Internet, word processing, and selected software applications.
- In order to use the library's computer workstations, users are required to abide by the following policy as well as any rules or time limits.
- Users who fail to comply with the Tri-Community Library's Internet and Computer Use Policy will be asked to terminate their use of the computer. Users who repeatedly violate these policies will be prohibited from using the library's computer workstation for a period of time to be determined by the library administrator.

Rules for Computer Use:

- Computer use is provided on a first come, first served basis. No advanced reservation will be taken unless the computers are reserved for Library instructional purposes.
- The Library may establish time limits on computer use.
- Patrons may not use the Library's computers for any illegal purpose, including viewing or printing of materials that are illegal. Library computers may not be used to make unauthorized entry to other computer systems or databases accessible via the Internet.
- Patrons may not unplug, remove, modify or damage computer equipment or software in any way. Users may not attempt to reconfigure the system or interfere with the current system set-up. Patrons may not download and install or run their own software from the disk drives on the Library's computers.
- Users will be held financially responsible for any damage they do to library computer equipment or software.
- Patrons under 18 years of age will be required to have parental or legal guardian permission to access the Internet. While the Library will make every effort to ensure that the use of the Internet is consistent with the Library's Acceptable Use Policy, parents or legal guardians are responsible for their children's selection of materials that are consistent with personal and family values and boundaries.
- The library upholds and affirms the right of each individual to have access to constitutionally protected material. The Library also affirms the right and responsibility of parents or legal guardians to determine and monitor their children's use of library materials and resources. Parent or legal guardians of minor children must assume responsibility for their children's use of the Internet through the Library's connection.
- All Internet resources accessible through the library are provided equally to all users. Parents or legal guardians, not the Library or its staff, are responsible for the Internet information selected and/or accessed by their children. Only parents or legal guardians—may restrict their children—and only their children—from access to Internet resources accessible through the Library. Parents or legal guardians are advised to supervise their children's Internet sessions.

Name: _____ Address: _____

Phone: _____ City, State, Zip _____

Date of Birth: _____

I have read the Tri-Community Library's Internet and Computer Use Policy. I understand that this access is designed for educational purposes and is a privilege and not a right. The Tri-Community Library has some precautions in place to eliminate controversial materials; however, I also recognize that it is impossible for the Library to restrict access to all controversial materials available on the Internet.

I understand that any violation of the Internet Acceptable Use Policy or the Computer Use Policy will result in loss of computer privileges.

Print Name: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____

For Patrons Under 18 Years of Age:

As the parent or legal guardian of _____, I have read the Tri-Community Library's Internet and Computer Use Policy. I understand that this access is designed for educational purposes and is a privilege and not a right. The Tri-Community Library has some precautions in place to eliminate controversial materials; however, I also recognize that it is impossible for the library to restrict access to all controversial materials available on the Internet.

I accept full responsibility for materials obtained by my child from the Internet.

I understand that any violation of the Internet Acceptable Use Policy or the Computer Use Policy will result in loss of computer privileges.

Parent/Guardian Print Name: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____
