

LIBRARY BEHAVIOR RULES OF THE EMMAUS PUBLIC LIBRARY

This is a public library – a place for study, reading, and research. We need your help to maintain an atmosphere that permits everyone to use the library peacefully and peaceably. It is a privilege to use the library. We ask that all patrons please observe the following rules:

1. No food, or candy is permitted in the library. You may bring a covered beverage.
2. Smoking is not allowed in the building.
3. Shoes and shirts are required.
4. Loud noise and running are not permitted
5. Small children must be accompanied and supervised by a responsible adult. Excessive loud noise should not be allowed. No child should be placed on top of furniture.
6. Misuse of library furniture and materials will not be tolerated.
7. No animals are allowed inside the library except certified service animals.
8. No skates, skateboards, bicycles, hover-style boards, or other motorized toy devices are allowed in the library.
9. The library has the right to remove anyone having no apparent, lawful business in the library.
10. Physical and/ or verbal abuse of library staff or patrons will be cause for removal of the offending party from the library.
11. Individuals with offensive body odor leading to complaints from other library users and/or staff may be required to leave.
12. Electronic Devices should be silenced while within the library.
13. Failure to follow these policies will result in expulsion, revocation of library privileges and/or notifications of a parent.
14. The library has the authority to adopt and enforce whatever rules and regulations are deemed necessary to maintain an accessible library atmosphere.

THE ABOVE REGULATIONS HAVE THE APPROVAL OF THE LIBRARY BOARD AND ARE ENFORCEABLE BY LAW UNDER THE PENNSYLVANIA LIBRARY CODE.

THESE RULES ARE REVIEWED AND REAFFIRMED ANNUALLY IN THE JANUARY BY THE EMMAUS PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

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