

COMPUTER AND INTERNET POLICY

Johnson County Public Library (JCPL) is pleased to offer access to the Internet from computer workstations available to our patrons at every Library location. Computer access is intended for JCPL cardholders and guests.

JCPL staff makes every effort to keep the computer workstations and printers updated and in good working condition. The Library, however, is not responsible for equipment failures and network outages which result in lost data and uncompleted work. The Library is not responsible for any personal information transmitted by computer users over Library networks, including passwords and other personal identifiers. Internet records and search history are deleted on a regular basis for patron confidentiality.

Printing is available from Library computers for a fee. If you have questions or need assistance, please ask Library staff for help.

Staff provides limited instructional assistance for all users. Users needing additional training are encouraged to sign up for a Book-a-Librarian session. See the Reference Librarian for details.

The demand for use of the computer workstations may exceed the available supply. Users may be asked to limit their computer session when others are waiting to use a workstation.

As with all Library resources, the Library affirms the right and responsibility of parents and guardians, not Library staff, to determine and monitor their children's use of the Internet. Parents may add or remove computer access privileges from their children's (under 17 years of age) library card at any time by speaking to Library staff.

Open, unsecured wireless networks are available in the Library's branches. Use of the wireless networks is subject to all the conditions in this policy.

GENERAL COMPUTER AND INTERNET USE POLICIES:

◆ I agree to use Library computers for lawful purposes in a responsible manner, consistent with the educational, information, and recreational purposes for which they are provided.

◆ I will not use the Internet for any purpose prohibited by Indiana or Federal law; misrepresent myself, alter hardware or software, nor make unauthorized copies of copyrighted or licensed software, data, or images.

◆ I will abide by JCPL's Appropriate Library Behavior Policy and will not be disruptive to other Library users.

◆ I understand that the Library is compliant with the Children’s Internet Protection Act (CIPA) and Neighborhood Children's Internet Protection Act (N-CIPS) (PL 106-554) and has technology protection measures (filters) on its computers to limit access by minors to inappropriate matter on the Internet and World Wide Web. JCPL takes measures to protect the safety and security of minors when they are using electronic mail, chat rooms, and other forms of direct electronic communications. JCPL also attempts to prohibit unauthorized access including hacking, and other unlawful activities by minors online. JCPL forbids the unauthorized disclosure, use, and dissemination of personal identification information regarding minors and takes measures designed to restrict access to materials harmful to minors.

◆ I will not send, receive, view or display sexually explicit materials or materials deemed harmful to minors.

◆ I understand that the Library cannot be held responsible for Internet content. JCPL cannot protect me from online content I find offensive.

◆ I understand that Library staff has the discretion to interpret prohibited behavior. Failure to comply with this agreement may result in loss of my library privileges.

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