

Use of Public Computers, Electronic Reference Sources,
Including Internet Sources, in the Library

Patrons who come to the library to do research using print, microform, non-print, computer-based, CD-ROM, etc. materials are not required to have parental permission to use these materials in the Library, or to make photocopies of these materials for home use. Users are expected to pay for all prints that they make, regardless of their usefulness.

The Library subscribes to an extensive collection of electronic reference resources through the Suffolk Cooperative Library System coordinated order and other sources.

The Library does not act in loco parentis, the Library does not "assume, abrogate, or overrule the rights and responsibilities of parents of legal guardians," and "parents or legal guardians who do not want their children to have access to certain library services, materials or facilities should so advise their children. Libraries and governing bodies cannot assume the role of parents or the functions of parental authority in the private relationship between parent and child."

The Board of Trustees affirms or reaffirms, as policy:

- Computer Use in the Library
- Guidelines for the Use of Public Computers
- Cybersecurity
- Computer Technology Filtering
- The Library Bill of Rights
- Free Access to Libraries for Minors

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