Internet and Technology Use Policy

The Herrick District Library provides all patrons access to computers, various technologies, software, and the Internet in order to further our mission to empower our community to connect, discover, and create.

Library computers and other equipment may only be used for lawful purposes. Examples of unacceptable uses include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Display of violent, obscene, or sexually explicit materials
- Harassment of other users or violation of their privacy
- Violation of copyright laws or software licensing agreements
- Damaging equipment software or data belonging to HDL or other users
- Unauthorized changes to software and/or hardware configurations of computers, TVs, printers, and all other library devices

As required by Michigan Public Act 212 of 2000 and realizing that filtering software is not completely effective, the Library will take all reasonable and possible actions to prevent minors from accessing obscene material or sexually explicit material in their use of the Internet, which is deemed harmful to minors (as those terms are defined by state law).

Violation may result in the loss of computer, Internet, and/or library privileges, subject to appeal and review. Illegal use of the computers may be subject to prosecution by local, state or federal authorities.

While the Internet provides many valuable sources of information, users are reminded that some information on the Internet may not be accurate, complete, current, or confidential. The Library has no control over the information on the Internet and cannot be held responsible for its content.

The Library Director is authorized to develop guidelines, procedures, and rules to implement this policy.

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