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SIX MILE REGIONAL LIBRARY DISTRICT

Internet Access and Computer Use Policy

The Six Mile Regional Library District (SMRLD) is pleased to provide public access to computers and the Internet free of charge. These resources support the Library's mission to meet the educational, informational, and instructional needs of SMRLD's diverse community. Access is provided in accordance with the principles of intellectual freedom, privacy, and confidentiality, as SMRLD has endorsed the American Library Association's Library Bill of Rights, Freedom to Read, and Freedom to View policies.

As technology evolves, SMRLD reserves the right to establish additional rules or modify existing policies to ensure the effective and responsible use of its resources.

General Use Guidelines

1. **Availability and Time Limits**
 - Computers are available on a first-come, first-served basis.
 - Library cardholders may have unlimited sessions, while guest pass users are limited to three hours per day.
2. **Workstation Limits**
 - No more than two individuals may use a single computer at the same time.
3. **Printing Costs**
 - Printing is available at a cost; check with library staff for current costs.
4. **Designated Areas**
 - Adult Services: Reserved for ages 13 and older.
 - Teen Services: Reserved for grades 6-12.
 - Youth Services: Reserved for ages 12 and under.

Internet Access Policy

1. **Access Scope**

Internet access is available via public computers and Wi-Fi. These resources allow users to connect to a vast array of information beyond the Library's collections. However, the Library does not control or monitor the content accessed and cannot guarantee its accuracy or reliability. The Library does implement content filtering for pornography to comply with the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) and the federal E-Rate program.
2. **Parental Responsibility**

Parents, guardians, and teachers are responsible for supervising Internet use by children in their care and may not restrict the Internet use of children not in their charge. Library staff will not restrict Internet access for minors, other than filtering for pornography, websites known for malware distribution, and websites known to violate copyright.

3. **Content Disclaimer**

Users are responsible for evaluating the validity and appropriateness of the information they access.

4. **Prohibited Activities**

Users may not engage in the following:

- Unauthorized access to networks, computer systems, or accounts.
- Illegal or criminal activities, including slander, libel, or the transmission/display of pornography.
- Violations of copyright laws, such as unauthorized downloading or sharing of media.
- Damaging or altering computer hardware or software configurations.

Suspension of Library Privileges

Failure to responsibly use computers and Internet access will result in suspension of privileges and possible permanent loss of Library access.

This policy supersedes any previous policies on the same topic.

Approved by Board Action

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