

## Weedsport Free Library INTERNET USE POLICY

The Internet, as an information resource, enables the library to provide information beyond the confines of its own collection. It allows access to ideas, information and commentary from around the globe. It enhances the library's existing collection in size and depth.

- All Internet users must be registered CayugaConnect library card holders.
- All Internet users must complete a Computer/Internet Permission Form. Children under the age of 12 are not permitted to use the Internet unless they are accompanied by an adult/legal guardian. Children ages 12-16 are permitted to use the Internet without parent/legal supervision as long as the adult completes the form and presents it in person.
- Individual users and/or parents must accept responsibility for determining the reliability, suitability and appropriateness of the Internet content. The library computers do not have filtering software installed on them.
- Users must respect the privacy and sensibilities of others. Displaying or printing of images of child pornography, or those which are sexually explicit, obscene, or harmful to minors is expressly prohibited according to the N.Y.U.C.C. Penal 235.00-235.24 (Consol. 2004).
- Internet computers and network services may not be used for illegal activities, including the harassment of others. Users may not misrepresent themselves when using the Internet.
- Access to chat rooms or "Instant Messenger" is not permitted.
- U.S. copyright law (Title 17, U.S. Code) prohibits the unauthorized reproduction or distribution of copyrighted materials, except as permitted by the principles of fair use. The library expressly disclaims any liability or responsibility resulting from copyright infringement or any violation of local, state or federal laws.
- Internet users are cautioned that the Internet is not a secure medium and all transactions, files and communications, including personal information, are vulnerable to unauthorized access, and, therefore, should be considered public. The library will not release information on the use of electronic resources by members of the public except as required by law.
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