

The Middleburgh Library

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Policy: Patron Code of Conduct

In order to insure constructive use of The Middleburgh Library facilities, materials, and services, as well as the personal comfort of all patrons, the Board of Trustees has established the following rules for use:

- 1. Patrons shall conduct themselves in a manner that is consistent with the activities of a public library.
- 2. Patrons shall not disturb others while using the library.
- 3. Misconduct such as the use of foul or threatening language and gestures, public drunkenness, drug usage, sale of exchange of alcohol or drugs, persistent loud talking and laughing, running, pushing, fighting, sleeping, stalking, soliciting, loitering, littering, and other behavior deemed offensive by Library Staff will result in expulsion from the Library and/or suspension of Library privileges.
- 4. The Library assumes no responsibility for the care and supervision of children of any age. Parents or caregivers are responsible for the behavior of their children as outlined in the **Unattended Children's Policy.**
- 5. Smoking is not allowed in the Library.
- 6. Patrons consuming food or beverages in the Library must be respectful of other patrons and staff and avoid creating a disturbance or untidiness; patrons shall not consume beverages and food while using or in proximity to the Library's computers and photo-copier.
- 7. Pets are not permitted in the Library. Only animals identified as service animals that aid the physically challenged and those involved in Library programming are allowed.
- 8. Patrons shall not be permitted to enter the Library without footwear or without a shirt or other covering of their upper bodies.
- 9. The Early Literacy Room of the Library is for the exclusive use of parents/caregivers and their children.
- 10. A Library patron who vandalizes, steals, or destroys any Library material, equipment or building components will forfeit all Library privileges and will be subject to financial liability for damages.