

TITLE: Patron Behavior Policy

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Lake Villa District Library (LVDL) upholds all laws and ordinances in regard to public behavior. The LVDL Board of Trustees has adopted the following to ensure all patrons have safe, equitable and full use of the Library.

- Acceptable rules of conduct and common courtesy are expected of all who use LVDL. Patrons who cannot independently follow Library rules should be under the supervision of a caregiver.
- Proper attire is required while in the building, including shirts and shoes at all times.
- Covered beverages and snacks are permissible.
- The consumption of alcohol and smoking of any kind is prohibited.
- Service animals trained to provide assistance with a disability are welcome. Animals, unless as part of a sanctioned Library activity, are not allowed in the building.
- Patrons may not disrupt or interfere with the normal operation of the Library. Examples of interference include, but are not limited to, talking loudly, excessive noise, disruptive conduct, abusive and threatening language, threatening or harassing behavior, or disruptive or offensive odors.
- Defacing or damaging Library property or committing any other act of vandalism is strictly prohibited.
- Patrons may not remove, rearrange or relocate any Library furniture, Library collections, or equipment from one location to another.
- We reserve the right to ask patrons to open their bags upon reasonable suspicion that they may contain material that has not been properly checked out.
- Personal items are not to be left unattended. The Library is not responsible for items left unattended and may report suspicious items to law enforcement.
- Possession of a firearm or display of any other type of weapon while on Library property is prohibited by law.
- Vehicles should be parked in designated spots. Parking, stopping, or standing in a traffic lane is prohibited.
- Selling or soliciting on Library property is not allowed.

Any patron not abiding by LVDL policies may be required to leave the Library premises. If necessary the police will be contacted.

Any patron who violates LVDL's policies may be denied the privilege of access to the Library by the Director. Any patron whose privileges have been denied may have the decision reviewed by the Board of Trustees upon prior written request.