## **Dorothy Hull Library – Windsor Township**

## Acceptable Behavior in the Dorothy Hull Library – Windsor Township Policy

## Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that all Library patrons have a fair and equitable opportunity to use and enjoy the Library's services, materials, and facilities without being subjected to unreasonable interference or disturbance by others.

The following is prohibited based on Federal or State law:

- Smoking or vaping in or on Library property.
- Use, possession, or distribution of any controlled substance, alcoholic beverages, or illegal drugs.
- Lewd or obscene conduct, or sexual misconduct.
- Theft, damage, or destruction of Library property.

## We expect our Library users (to):

- Engage with Library staff, patrons, and visitors in a courteous and respectful manner.
- Under the age of 11 to be accompanied by a parent or other caregiver over the age of 14.
- Not leave vulnerable adults needing supervision unattended when in the Library, even if attending a Library sponsored program.
- Avoid loud conversations and disruptive behavior.
- Respect the rights of other users to access Library materials.
- Be responsible for the care of items checked out to them. Library materials should not be written on or defaced in any way.
- Leave skateboards, scooters, bikes and skates outside.
- Leave their animals outside. Service animals are permitted.
- Refrain from soliciting, begging or gambling.
- Leave when the Library closes.
- Take shelter in the event of a public emergency when advised.
- Place cell phones/pagers on vibrate while in the Library. Answer cell phones/pagers by going outside of the Library.
- Be dressed in an appropriate manner that includes shirt and shoes.
- Take care when bringing in any food and covered beverages to the Library so it will not damage any Library property.
- Understand that staff are not responsible for supervision of children in the Library.

Violation of these policies may lead to library privileges being revoked.

The Dorothy Hull Library - Windsor Township staff reserve the right to request any person(s) whose behavior is threatening or does not comply with Library policies and/or procedures to vacate Library property. Staff are encouraged to call law enforcement if assistance is needed in enforcing this policy.

Library patrons have the right to submit a written request to the Library Director and/or the Library Board to have any sanction imposed by Library staff reviewed.

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