

INTERNET POLICY IN CHILDREN'S ROOM

Access to the Internet is available in the children's department of the library. As with other library materials, the restriction of a child's access to the Internet is the responsibility of the parent/legal guardian. The Library has installed filtering software to lessen the likelihood that a child will encounter sites which might be considered unsuitable. Because the Internet environment is constantly changing no filtering system is fail-safe. The parent/guardian must provide the guidance necessary to ensure the child in their care uses the Internet in a manner they deem safe and appropriate. The Staff of the Nanuet Public Library is not responsible for any materials accessed via the Internet that might be considered inappropriate.

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For Young People

- 🌐 Sign up for the Internet at the children's reference desk.
- 🌐 You must have your library card with you to use the Internet.
- 🌐 You may reserve two thirty minute sessions per day.
- 🌐 Internet access is free of charge, printouts cost \$.15 per page for black and white and \$.25 for color. Printouts can be paid for at the printing station and picked up at the Reference Desk.
- 🌐 You are responsible for the sites you visit.
- 🌐 Use the computer equipment with respect and care.
- 🌐 If you come across information on a website that makes you feel uncomfortable, please close your browser or click the home or back button.
- 🌐 Do not enter information about yourself (for example your name, address, telephone number, age, sex) when using e-mail, instant messages or other forms of communication.
- 🌐 If you have difficulty finding the information you seek the librarian can help you when time permits.
- 🌐 Please do not add your own bookmarks or icons to the desktop. Do not change computer settings.
- 🌐 Do not turn off or reboot the computer; ask a librarian to help you.
- 🌐 Only one person may use a computer at a time (unless your parent or guardian is helping you).

For Parents and Guardians

- 🌐 Children in grades 2-8 may search the Internet without adult supervision. If you are concerned about what your child could encounter on the Internet you should remain with the child throughout the session.
- 🌐 Children in 1st grade or younger must be accompanied by a parent at the keyboard for the duration of their search.
- 🌐 Sessions last 30 minutes with a one hour.
- 🌐 Filtering software is installed on Internet computers located in the children's room. This filtering software will block many sites that may be offensive, but may not block all materials offensive to all users.
- 🌐 Parent/Legal Guardian should inform their children of materials they do not want the child to use, and must assume responsibility for monitoring the use of the Internet by the child in their care.
- 🌐 Library staff is not responsible if a child accesses material a parent may deem offensive.
- 🌐 The librarian can lead you to helpful websites to fill your information needs as time permits but can not give in-depth individual instruction on internet searching.
- 🌐 Internet use is free of charge; printouts cost \$.15 cents per page for black and white and \$.25 for color.
- 🌐 The Adult Department's Internet policy is available upon request.