

**Lied Public Library Policy**  
**Section: Relationships, Rights, and**  
**Responsibilities**  
**Subject: Behavior Policy**

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## **Behavior Policy**

The Lied Public Library patrons are expected to observe the rights of other patrons and staff members. Patrons are also asked to use the library for its intended purposes.

- The Staff has the responsibility for enforcing discipline within the library.
- The Staff determines when behavior is inappropriate in the library.
- Response to inappropriate behavior should be immediate.

Inappropriate behavior will not be allowed on library grounds, which may include, but not limited to the following:

- Any behavior that endangers the safety or health of others.
- Violation of any local, state or federal law within the library.
- Vandalism or deliberate destruction of library material.
- Theft of library materials or the personal property of other patrons or staff members.
- Deliberate disruption of library procedures or operation.
- Use of abusive language at other patrons or the staff.
- Loud talking or laughing, that disturbs or could disturb other patrons.
- Inappropriate dress; e.g. no shirt or shoes.
- Smoking, alcohol, chewing tobacco or illegal drugs in the library.
- The use of cellular telephones within library that is disruptive.
- Unattended children (see policy).
- Pets. (Unless assisting those with disabilities).
- Skates, skateboards, in-line skates and similar products inside and on library grounds.
- Other kinds of behavior deemed inappropriate by the staff.
- Impeding access to library or library materials.
- Use of audio devices without headphones or at an unreasonable level.
- Parking bicycles anywhere other than provided bicycles racks.
- Refusing to comply with directive of library staff.

### **Procedure:**

- **Warning.** In most cases, patrons who are behaving inappropriately in the library will be given a verbal warning and asked to behave in an appropriate manner.
- **Expulsion.** Patrons who refuse to behave more appropriately after one warning will be asked to leave the library.
  - Expulsion may result in suspended use of the library for a given length of time
- **Calling the Police.** In cases where patrons pose a clear danger to themselves or others or where there is a deliberate violation of the law, or refusal to leave the library after being asked by the Staff, the Staff is authorized to call the police.