



Clifton Springs Library

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Unattended Children Policy

The Clifton Springs Library welcomes and encourages children to visit the Library, use library resources and services, and attend library programs. Staff members are available to help and support children; however, the Library does not provide short- or long-term child care, and cannot be responsible for unattended children.

Unattended children are children of any age who are apparently unaccompanied by a parent, guardian, and/or responsible caregiver. Children who are unable or unwilling to care for themselves may not be left alone in the Library and must have adequate supervision while in the Library. The Library is not responsible if children leave Library property unattended.

Regulation:

Parents, guardians, and/or caregivers are responsible for the safety, behavior, and supervision of children at all times in the Library and on library property. Children are expected to respect library property and adhere to the rules outlined in the Code of Conduct policy.

Unattended children will be asked to leave the library in circumstances such as, but not limited to:

An unattended child is engaging in behavior that is disruptive to other library users, staff, or the normal operations of library business.

An unattended child is involved in a situation that is potentially harmful to the health or safety of the child and/or others.

An unattended child is left alone at the Library at closing time.

Such situations will be handled on a case-by-case basis. If parents, guardians, and/or caregivers cannot be reached, or are unresponsive, the Library will work with other agencies as needed.

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