

Helen Hall Library

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Conduct Policy in the Children Services Area

The Children's Services staff members have the responsibility to keep the children's area of the Helen Hall Library as pleasant and safe an environment as possible for the public. Please help by observing the following policies.

- Children seven years and younger must be accompanied and supervised by a responsible person, who is thirteen years or older. If a parent or the responsible person for an unaccompanied child under the age of eight cannot be located in the library, an attempt will be made to reach the parent by phone. If this is not successful, the police will be called.
- Children must be supervised at all times and be within the sight of the parent or person responsible for the child. The Children's Services staff cannot be responsible for the safety of unattended children.
- Behaviors such as running, pushing, climbing, screaming, making loud noises, fighting, damaging library materials and property are not acceptable.
- The Children's Services staff members will warn the child and/or parent if the child's behavior is unacceptable. If the behavior continues, the child or the child and his/her family may be asked to leave.
- Parents will be called to pick up minors who are left after the library is closed. Police may be called to ensure their safety until a responsible adult picks them up.

If the Children's Services staff witness child abuse, the police will be called.

If the Children's Services staff witness vandalism to city property, the police will be called.

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