

Computer and Internet Access policy

Introduction:

In a continuing effort to meet the recreational, educational, and informational needs of the community, the Eureka Public Library District provides public computers and access to the Internet.

Internet Use Policy

Internet access is provided by the library through public computers and the library's wireless network, accessible to properly equipped portable computers, tablets, phones and other devices. Other wireless networks may also be accessible at the library. *Regardless of the network source, the use of the Internet while at the library requires the acceptance of the terms of this policy.*

Eureka Public Library District requires that patrons use the Internet in a responsible manner that respects other individuals and protects the shared resources of the community. Violation of any aspect of this policy may result in the loss of computer privileges.

- Patrons using the Internet must comply with all applicable municipal, Illinois, and Federal laws, and all Eureka Public Library policies.
- Patrons using the Internet must respect the rights, dignity, privacy, and convenience of others.
- Viewing sites that contain pornography and/or child pornography or harmful to minors is prohibited.
- Parents or guardians are responsible for supervising their child's use of the Internet at the library. Library staff are unable to monitor children's usage, and parental supervision is required at all times for anyone under the age of 14 while on a library computer.
- Access to computers or Internet use may be limited by the library.
- Activities that compromise the security, efficiency, or condition of the library's technology resources are prohibited.
- The library is not responsible for the information found on the Internet or its form of presentation.
- The library is not responsible for any damages or charges incurred during use of the Internet in the library.
- Printing is available through library computers only, there is no Wi-Fi connection for printing. Individuals will be charged for all printing, no exceptions. The cost will be \$1.00 per page for color, 25¢ for black and white.
- Time at the computer will be limited to 30 minutes when someone is waiting.
- Personal documents and information cannot be saved on library computers. The use of USB storage devices are recommended for saving personal documents. USB drives can be purchased from library staff.

- Anyone using the public computers will be asked to record the time used on the provided clipboard beside each computer.

While using library Wi-Fi and personal devices please be aware:

- The Library staff is unable to provide any technical support, troubleshooting, or configuring of a patron's device.
- The Library's Wi-Fi signal and the Internet access are unfiltered. The Library's Wi-Fi signal may be unsecure. Information sent to/from any device may be captured by anyone else with a wireless device and the appropriate software.
- The Eureka Public Library District assumes no responsibility for the safety of devices or equipment used in connection to the Library's Wi-Fi wireless access.

The library disclaims any liability or responsibility arising from access to the Internet, to the library's wireless network, or use of information obtained through the Internet.

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