

Farmingdale Public Library Internet Policy

Policy Statement: As part of its mission to serve as an educational and recreational resource for the community, the Farmingdale Public Library seeks to provide users with access to the Internet and the World wide Web. The Library is a forum for all points of view and adheres to and endorses the principles of intellectual freedom. The Library will not monitor or restrict the choice of sites visited by individual patrons or the content of those sites.

Rules and Regulations

- Preference in the use of the Internet will be given to residents of Farmingdale Union Free School District #22. Non-residents may use the Internet if it is not in use by a local resident, and must relinquish the time slot in the event that a local resident wishes to use it.
- All users are required to complete the Internet User Agreement Form. Parents/guardians of children age 17 and below must sign the Internet User Agreement Form.
- Internet access is available to adults in the Reference Computer Room, only.
- Internet access is available in the Children's room to children age 17 and below. Children in Grade 6 and below must be accompanied by a parent/guardian when accessing the Internet in the Children's room.
- Students in Grade 7 through age 17 can also access the Internet in the Adult Reference Computer Room with a parent/guardian present.
- Internet access in the Children's room is provided with filtering software to block or filter, to the extent possible, access by minors to inappropriate material.
- Users must sign-in at the Reference or Children's Room Desk and submit appropriate ID. One 1-hour time slots may be reserved at a time. If the computer is available, the time period may be extended by the librarian. Reservations may be made no more than three days in advance. Appointments will be held for fifteen minutes, after which the time slot will be made available to anyone wishing to use the remaining time.
- Librarians will log users into the system, but can not provide extended instruction. It is the responsibility of the user to exit all programs used, display original screen and leave a clean, uncluttered desktop for the next user.
- Users may print materials on the library's printers or save information onto their own floppy disks. Users may not download or save information to the library's computer hard disk.
- Users are prohibited from engaging in inappropriate network usage including hacking and other unlawful activities and must comply with all State and Federal Laws including all U.S. Copyright regulations.
- Failure to comply with library rules and regulations will result in termination of Internet access privileges.
- The Farmingdale Library makes no warranty, expressed or implied, nor assumes responsibility for the timeliness, accuracy, or usefulness of any information accessed via the Internet.

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