

ACCESS TO ELECTRONIC INFORMATION POLICY

The Worth Public Library District (the Library) provides Internet access as well as other electronic formats to assist the public in meeting their informational, cultural, recreational, educational, and civic needs. In addition to Internet access on equipment owned by the Library, patrons may access the Internet on their own devices capable of receiving wireless signals. The Library cannot assume responsibility for the security of personally owned hardware and software used on Library premises.

Various formats of electronic information are extended to patrons as a privilege, not as a right or as an obligation of the Library. Procedures for use of the Internet will be determined by staff, and Internet-use privileges may be modified and/or suspended in their entirety, at the discretion of the Library.

The vast majority of information and data obtained via the Library's electronic format is generated outside the Library. Therefore it is impossible for the Library to guarantee accuracy or prevent access to controversial materials in electronic format. The Library assumes no responsibility for any damages, direct or indirect, or any illegal or criminal activity arising from use of its connection to Internet service.

As a public facility, the Library may limit content viewed on any electronic device on Library grounds that is deemed by staff to fall outside the overall standards of our community and inappropriate to the sensibilities of a group setting.

The Library employs software to filter Internet access in the Youth Services Department. This software provides no guarantee that every objectionable item can be avoided. Parents are responsible for monitoring their children's use of the Internet if they wish to ensure that their children view only material that they (the parents) approve.

Wireless Internet content viewed by patrons on their own computer equipment shall be filtered by the Library.

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