

Ruth Keeler Memorial Library

Library Access by Minors Policy

The Ruth Keeler Memorial Library welcomes children and minors under 18 to use its facilities, resources, and services.

Children under 13

To promote safety and responsible use of the library, children under the age of 13 must be accompanied and supervised by a parent, guardian, or caregiver aged 16 or over at all times, including during programs. The supervising person is responsible for ensuring the minor follows the Library's Code of Conduct Policy. When a child under 13 is unattended or under-attended, library staff may attempt to contact their parent, guardian, or caregiver. In the event a responsible person cannot be located, or circumstances merit more immediate action, staff will supervise the child and may contact an appropriate public authority to address the situation.

Children 13 and up

Children and minors ages 13 and over may use the Library unattended and are responsible for abiding by the Library's Code of Conduct Policy.

Library Workers and Minors

Library staff cannot accept a request to supervise a minor while they are on duty. Library staff cannot provide food, transportation, or resources to minors unless it is part of a Library service or program.

Enforcement

Failure of a parent, guardian, or caregiver, or minor over 13 to abide by this policy is a violation of the Code of Conduct and may result in loss of library privileges.