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## **Code of Conduct**

### **Mead Public Library Vision**

We aspire to create a vibrant, informed and cohesive community.

### **Mead Public Library Mission**

We connect people with ideas, resources and technology to educate, entertain and empower.

### **Mead Public Library Values**

Mead Public Library is committed to providing a safe and inviting atmosphere conducive to the use of library spaces and resources. Staff and library patrons share the responsibility to ensure this atmosphere is maintained at all times. The following guidelines are set forth to define conduct that is not allowed on library property. Library staff will enforce these guidelines in a consistent and impartial manner.

### **The following are examples of conduct not allowed on Library property:**

- All illegal activities
- Entering with concealed or openly visible firearms or other weapons
- Damaging or stealing library property
- Carrying and/or consuming drugs or alcohol
- Harassing or threatening another person or staff
- Behaving in a manner that interferes with library use and service
- Entering without being fully clothed, including, but not limited to, a shirt or other covering of upper body and shoes or other footwear.
- Refusal to wear a face covering when required by the library and/or displaying obvious signs of infectious disease during a pandemic or epidemic.
- Panhandling or soliciting
- Using library restroom facilities for inappropriate purposes
- Smoking or vaping in the library or within 25 ft. of the main entrance
- Violating computer use policies
- Bringing animals into the library except for service animals as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)
- Refusing to provide library card or identification to library staff when requested
- Leaving children under the age of 10 unattended by a responsible person
- Adults without a child present who are not actively using or searching the youth collections or seeking help from staff are not permitted in the Children's Library without first obtaining permission from management.
- Trespassing on library property during a banning period

Anyone who disregards the above-listed prohibited behaviors or engages in any other conduct deemed inappropriate by Library staff is subject to removal from library property and/or restriction of library privileges. Violations of the Mead Public Library Code of Conduct may also result in a formal banning from Mead Public Library and/or criminal prosecution.