

Hutchinson Public Library

Patron Code of Conduct

Adopted by the Hutchinson Public Library Board of Trustees, 06/19/2007.

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We believe all patrons, staff, and volunteers have the right to use library services and materials in a safe and comfortable environment without being disturbed by other library users. Library staff is here to serve the patrons and ensure that everyone follows rules for acceptable public behavior.

- Explore
- Ask questions
- Discover
- Learn
- Respect

Regarding food and drinks in the library:

Patrons may consume non-alcoholic beverages in containers with lids in all areas except the computer lab and Kansas Room. Food may be eaten in all areas except the computer lab, Kansas Room, and Quiet Room. Food and beverages are allowed during meetings in library conference rooms. Please notify a staff member immediately if you spill so it can be cleaned up.

Expectations for the Quiet Room:

- “ No talking
- “ Cell phones off
- “ No audible sound from devices
- “ No eating
- “ Drinks only in containers with lids

**WITH FREE ACCESS
COMES
RESPONSIBILITY**

The right of free access to information for all individuals is basic to library service. The policy of the Hutchinson Public Library is to extend the free use of its services as far as possible. Individual access will be restricted only when effective access by others is hindered.

K.S.A. 12-1227 states: "Every library established or governed by the provisions of this act shall be free to the use of the inhabitants of the municipality in which located, subject always to such reasonable rules and regulations as the library board may adopt, and said board may exclude from the use of said library any and all persons who shall willfully violate such rules."