



## ACCEPTABLE PATRON BEHAVIOR POLICY

It is the policy of Martin Library to maintain a safe and orderly library setting that is conducive to study, reading, and meeting. This acceptable Behavior Policy details Disruptive/Disorderly acts that create an inconvenience, annoyance, or alarm within Martin Library. We request the cooperation of our patrons in refraining from:

- 1) Inappropriate use of library facilities including public restrooms.
- 2) Fighting or aggressive/threatening behavior.
- 3) Using loud, obscene, disrespectful, or abusive language.
- 4) Leaving children under the age of eight unattended by an adult or responsible caregiver.
- 5) Mutilation or damage of library materials, equipment, and property.
- 6) Carrying weapons or dangerous objects.
- 7) Use of alcohol, tobacco, illegal drugs or other chemical substances and smoking.
- 8) Public drunkenness or being under the influence of chemical substances.
- 9) Public displays of intimacy, sexual acts, or sexually harassing conduct.
- 10) Gambling, soliciting, or campaigning on library property.
- 11) Violating our Acceptable Use Policy for Computers and Wi-Fi Users.
- 12) Using portable music players or library computers without personal earphones and maintaining a volume that cannot be heard by other patrons or staff at the library.
- 13) Modifying the configuration of library equipment and furnishings, structures, computers and other Martin Library property, including public access computers.
- 14) Consuming food or drinks while using the Library's public access computers. Consuming sunflower seeds anywhere in the library. Sunflower seeds are strictly prohibited on library property.
- 15) Conversations that are too loud whether with other customers or on a cell phone.
- 16) Taking photographs in the library without the approval of library management.
- 17) Running or "horseplay".
- 18) Using shoes with wheels, portable scooters, roller blades, skateboards or any other mode of transportation, with the exception of handicap equipment by legally handicap patrons.
- 19) Leaving bicycles unattended in the building or chaining them to railings other than designated bike racks outside of the library.
- 20) Placing feet on library furniture, walls or equipment.
- 21) Sleeping or loitering inside or outside of library property.
- 22) Littering or not disposing of trash in designated receptacles.
- 23) Inappropriate dress. You must wear a shirt, pants/shorts/dress/skirt and shoes.
- 24) Using library facilities for personal grooming.
- 25) Inadequate personal hygiene.
- 26) Entering areas designated as "Staff Only".
- 27) Bringing in animals other than guide animals.

At times Martin Library may have to request that a patron remove head coverings for identification purposes. Martin Library strictly enforces the Library Theft Act of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Failure to obey library policies and rules may lead to the loss of library privileges or disciplinary action that may result in permanent banning from the library. When a patron refuses to leave our premises when asked to do so, library staff shall call 911 and indicate that we have a defiant trespasser in the building.

*Thank you for choosing Martin Library*