

COMPUTER/INTERNET ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY

The Mississippi County Library System (MCLS) offers internet and computer access as a supplement to its existing collections and services in order to advance a rich quality of life in our communities. While most information available on the internet adheres to this goal, information that is unreliable, illegal, or offensive also exists. Even though MCLS filters all internet content according to the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) guidelines, it is impossible to fully police a worldwide network. Individual users, therefore, must take responsibility for their own computer usage, and for the usage of their minor children.

CONDITIONS AND TERMS OF USE IN THE LIBRARY

1. Each patron must have a library card in good standing in order to use library computers.
2. In order to provide equal services to all patrons, computer access may be limited to 30 minutes per session.
3. Patrons are prohibited from damaging equipment, software, or any data belonging to MCLS or other users. This includes adding or deleting files on library workstations or any other library equipment.
4. Patrons may not utilize MCLS's computers in violation of any local, state, or federal ordinance, regulation, or law.

In compliance with the Children's Internet Protection Act [Pub, L. No. 106-554 and 47 USC 254 (h)], the following activities are expressly prohibited while in the library:

- Unauthorized computer/internet access, and other unlawful online activity.
 - The access of obscene and/or inappropriate matter or materials that are harmful to minors.
 - Sending, displaying or receiving obscene, harassing, or libelous messages, files or images or any other activity defined as harmful to minors as defined by Arkansas law.
 - Using Library computers to infiltrate and/or damage or alter a computer or computing system.
 - Unauthorized online disclosure, use, or dissemination of personal identification information of minors.
5. Any violation of the policies that govern the use of MCLS public access computers may result in suspension or loss of privilege to use library resources.

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