POLICY FOR INTERNET ACCESS AND USE

1. It is a criminal offense for a library patron to alter the settings or configuration of any library computer, damage or misuse library computers or view child pornography on a library Internet terminal. In such cases, Internet use will be suspended and appropriate legal action will be taken.

2. The West Caldwell Public Library does not permit the display of pornographic material. This is inappropriate use of any Internet terminals in the library and is inconsistent with the “proper operations of the library.” In these instances, Internet use will be suspended.

3. Children 12 years of age and up are required to use the Internet in the Reference area.

4. Children 11 years of age and under are required to use the Internet in the Youth Services department.

5. The Library staff reserves the right to terminate computer access of any patron whose behavior at a computer workstation disrupts or disturbs other patrons or Library staff.

6. If the patron feels that he/she is being wrongfully accused, he/she may request a hearing to be scheduled with the Library Director. If this hearing does not resolve the complaint, the patron may appeal the process before the Board of Trustees.

7. The library staff reserves the right to limit Internet use to 30 minutes if there are patrons waiting to use Internet terminals.

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