Weedsport Free Library Internet Use Policy

- All Internet users must be registered CayugaConnect library card holders.
- All Internet users must complete a Computer/Internet Permission Form. Children under the age of 12 are not permitted to use the Internet unless they are accompanied by an adult/legal guardian. Children ages 12-16 are permitted to use the Internet without parent/legal guardian supervision as long as the adult completes the form and presents it in person.
- Individual users and/or parents must accept responsibility for determining the reliability, suitability and appropriateness of the Internet content.
- Users must respect the privacy and sensibilities of others. Displaying or printing images which are sexually explicit, obscene, or harmful to minors is expressly prohibited according to the N.Y.U.C.C. Penal 235.00-235.24 (Consol. 2004).
- Internet computers and network services may not be used for illegal activities, including the harassment of others. Users may not misrepresent themselves when using the Internet.
- U.S. copyright law (Title 17, U.S. Code) prohibits the unauthorized reproduction or distribution of copyrighted materials, except as permitted by the principles of fair use. The library expressly disclaims any liability or responsibility resulting from copyright infringement or any violation of local, state or federal laws.
- Internet users are cautioned that the Internet is not a secure medium and all transactions, files and communications, including personal information, are vulnerable to unauthorized access, and, therefore, should be considered public. The library will not release information on the use of electronic resources by members of the public except as required by law.
- The library staff will take appropriate actions when they are aware of violations. Violations may result in a loss of privileges and/or legal action.

To comply with the Children's Internet Protection Act and restrict access to online content that may be considered harmful to minors or offensive to adults, the library employs technology protection measures (filters) on all computers with Internet access. As required by the Children's Internet Protection Act, blocking shall be applied to visual depictions of material deemed as obscene, child pornography, or harmful to minors. Users are cautioned that filters are not foolproof and due to technological limitations cannot obstruct access to all potentially harmful or offensive content. In addition, filters may block access to some legitimate or constitutionally protected material found on the Internet. By law, individuals who have attained the age of 17 have the right to unfiltered Internet access for bona fide research or other lawful purposes.

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