

CELL PHONE POLICY

The use of cell phones in the library can often prove disruptive to patrons. In order to preserve the library's mission and goals, we ask that all patrons observe the following courtesies inside the library building.

1. Cell phones should be set to ring quietly or to vibrate when entering the library.
2. Patrons must terminate their cell phone use when approaching the circulation desk, doing so insures prompt service. If the call is not terminated, patrons will be asked to step aside until the call is done.
3. Patrons using cell phones in the library will be asked to move away from the public computers or other patrons using the library's services. Staff may allow patrons to use cell phones at the computers if the situation warrants it.
4. Patrons may not use cell phones at a volume that is disruptive to others.
5. Library staff may require that people engaged in cell phone conversations move to the front foyer near the entry doors or leave the building so as not to disturb others.

Enforcement of these rules for all cell phone users may take the form of any of the following actions:

Staff members are authorized to issue a verbal warning to patrons using a cell phone in the library in a manner that does not follow cell phone policy. If the offender refuses to cooperate, they will be asked to leave as quickly and quietly as possible. Acting abusively with verbal or physical threat or failing to cooperate with staff will result in immediate suspension of library privileges.