PHOEBE APPERSON HEARST LIBRARY LEAD, SOUTH DAKOTA



BOARD OF TRUSTEES PATRON CONDUCT POLICY

PURPOSE

To promote a library environment that encourages patrons of all ages to use and enjoy the library as a source of education, recreation and community interaction in a safe and respectful manner

SOURCE

Hearst Library Board of Trustees and Hearst Library Director

POLICY

The following activities and behaviors are not allowed in the library:

- Any conversation that interferes with another patron's enjoyment of the library including but not restricted to
 - o Abusive or foul language
 - o Extended cell phone use
 - o Uninvited interaction with other patrons
 - o Solicitation
- Any behavior staff or another patron finds threatening or offensive
- · Any behavior damaging to property belonging to the library or another patron
- Trespassing in non-public areas of the library
- · Any behavior prohibited by law

PROCEDURE

- Patron conduct rules will be enforced in respectful manner by any library staff present
- If patron fails to respond to staff direction, law enforcement be asked to intervene
- At the discretion of library staff, violation of rules may result in suspension of library privileges

** This policy includes the right to submit an appeal in writing to the Hearst Library Board of Trustees for consideration

Approved by:

Hearst Library Board of Trustees President

Hearst Library Director

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