

BEAVERTON CITY LIBRARY
CHILDREN'S AND TEEN AREAS USE POLICY

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Children's Area:

- The focus of the Children's Area is to give children, from infants through 5th grade (ages 0-11), a place to enjoy books, read, study, play and use the computers. They may talk quietly or work in groups, as may be appropriate, as long as the noise level is not disturbing others.
- The Children's Area computers and study tables are reserved for children from toddler to 5th grade and those assisting them. If a student is in 6th grade or above, they should be directed to the Teen Area. Adults may be in the room to look for library materials or to ask a question at the service desk. A caregiver may use a children's computer if they are supervising a child in the area. Children younger than 10 years of age must be supervised, as specified in the library's Safe Child and Rules for Use policies. In order to make accommodations for children and adults with varying developmental delays the staff will make exceptions as appropriate.
- For the safety of the children and volunteers, every effort will be made for a staff person to be on duty at all times.

Teen Area:

- The focus of the Teen Area is to give 6th through 12th grade (ages 10-18) students a place to read, study, and use the computers. They may talk quietly or work in groups as may be appropriate as long as the noise level is not disturbing others and they behave in a manner appropriate to a public library.
- The Teen Area technology, study tables, and comfy chairs are reserved for students in grades 6 through 12. Adults and children may be in the room to look for library materials or to ask a question at the desk or if they are accompanying a teen.
- Students may use supplies provided for them in the Teen Area. Borrowed items should not be taken from the room. An ID is required to borrow certain supplies.

- For the safety of the students and volunteers, every effort will be made for a staff person to be on duty at all times.

References in this policy to computer usage are derived from the Acceptable Use Guidelines for the Internet and Library Computers policy.