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Computer and Internet Use

It is the mission of the John Curtis Free Library to meet the informational, educational, and recreational needs and interests of the citizens of the town of Hanover. To this end, the John Curtis Free Library provides computer services, including free access to the internet and Wi-Fi, along with instruction in its use.

In accordance with the American Library Association *Library Bill of Rights*, and a supplementary document entitled *Access to Electronic Information, Services, and Networks*, the Library does not control or monitor access to materials which may be retrieved from internet sites. The Library has no responsibility for content found on the internet, including information that may be inaccurate, out-of-date, offensive or illegal. Parents or guardians may find that some information on the internet is unsuitable for their children ort does not reflect their personal values. Parents and guardians, not the Library or its staff, are responsible for the information selected and accessed by their children.

JCFL provides internet access on public computers that are in highly visible areas to those with valid OCLN Library cards. Guests are welcome to use our computers, but must obtain a guest pass. Patrons are limited to one guest pass per day.

PROHIBITED USE

It is neither permitted nor acceptable to use the Library's computer or internet access for illegal, fraudulent, obscene, or abusive purposes, including, but not limited to:

- Altering, tampering with, attempting to repair, circumventing, removing, installing, or damaging configurations, on library software or hardware
- Unauthorized accessing of local and remote computer systems and other Library technology

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- Attempting to or breaking into or violating the security of any computer file, database, or network, or violating another person's privacy, or altering, stealing, corrupting, or destroying any data
- Unauthorized copying of copyright-protected materials in any format
- Transmitting chain letters, broadcast letters, or any form of junk mail
- Transmitting threatening, obscene, or harassing materials, including Cyberbullying
- Knowingly transmitting computer viruses or harmful codes
- Accessing material that is not constitutionally protected, including but not limited to obscenity, child pornography, or calls to violence intended or likely to produce imminent lawless action

Violations of this policy will result in loss of computer privileges. Illegal acts involving Library computer resources may also be subject to prosecution by local, state, or federal authorities.

Approved, Board of Library Trustees – February 11, 2019