

Computer Use Policy

- Sturgis Library offers free public use computer workstations, laptops, and wireless internet access.
- Computers are available to users of all ages on a first-come-first-serve basis.
- Users must check in at the desk prior to using the computer resources.
- Computer use time is limited to 30 minutes if other people are waiting.
- Children under 13 must have a parent's permission to use the computers. Children under 10 must be supervised by a parent when using the computer resources.
- Black and white printing is available at 20 cents per page.
- Users are welcome to use their own laptops or electronic devices in the Library. Sturgis Library provides free wireless internet access throughout the building. It is also available outside the building within a limited range.
- Staff can help troubleshoot problems with the computers, but cannot teach users how to use the Internet or software programs.
- When using computer resources in the Library, we ask that you respect the rights of others nearby by silencing your phone devices and not taking calls while sitting at the public computers.

Acceptable Computer Use

The Internet is an un-moderated medium, and includes information that may be erroneous, out-of-date, controversial, offensive, or sexually explicit. The user is responsible for identifying and/or avoiding such information. Sturgis Library does not use filtering software to limit access to materials on the Internet.

Internet resources are to be used in a responsible manner consistent with educational, informational and recreational purposes. Patrons of all ages are expected to use the computers in a considerate manner, respecting the rights of others.

Parents/guardians are encouraged to provide guidance to their children for the safe usage of electronic resources. It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to ensure that their child does not access sites that may be inappropriate or potentially harmful to the child.

Unacceptable Computer Use

Computer and/or Library use privileges may be suspended or cancelled, at the discretion of the Library Director, if a patron is found tampering with the computers, including any violations noted below:

- Degrading or disrupting equipment or system performance
- Gaining unlawful access, including "hacking" and other unlawful activities
- Invading the privacy of others
- Cyberbullying
- Violating software license agreements and copyright laws
- Violating other federal, state or local laws
- Deliberately displaying obscene images
- Providing minors with access to materials that are harmful to them