



Minerva Free Library
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Code of Conduct

The Board of Trustees of the Minerva Library has established rules of behavior, which library users must adhere to when in the library or on the library grounds. These regulations serve to make the library a welcoming and safe place for library users, maintain a safe workplace for staff, and preserve and protect the library's materials, facilities and property. Please help us by adhering to the following:

Library materials, furniture, and equipment should be treated with respect.

Library users should conduct themselves in ways that respect other library users and staff.

Please take cell phone calls out into the hallway or outside when making or receiving phone calls. Texting is allowed inside. Please turn phones to "silent" mode.

Children under age 8 must be accompanied and directly supervised by an adult, at all times, in all areas of the library. The library is not responsible for unattended children of any age.

Children under 12 years old must be accompanied by a parent to use the computer.

Library users must wear shoes and shirts.

Pets should not be brought inside the library (with the exception of service animals).

Smoking (including products that create a vapor such as e-cigarettes), consuming alcohol, or using illegal or illicit substances on library property is strictly prohibited.

Non-alcoholic beverages may be consumed, provided they are in closed containers. Food may be consumed, provided library users clean up after themselves. No beverage or food may be consumed in any public computer area.

All weapons, including firearms (regardless of concealed carry permits) are prohibited in the library facility and on the library grounds.

In the event of health and other types of emergencies, library users and staff are required to abide by protocols issued by the government or the library's Board of Trustees.

The Board establishes policies, and the Director supervises implementation of policies and procedures. Any library user not abiding by these regulations may be required to leave the library. Any illegal, illicit, harassing, or generally unacceptable behaviors may be reported to the local police department at the discretion of the director or his/her designee, and may result in a ban from library services, trespassing order, and/or forfeiture of library privileges.

Board of Directors- Sherman Minerva Free Library

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The Minerva Free Library reserves the right to modify this policy at any time.