

## KELLEY LIBRARY

### TEEN ROOM POLICY

Purpose: To set forth terms for appropriate use of the Teen Room

#### STATEMENT OF POLICY:

The Teen Room, adjacent to the Children's Room at the Kelley Library, was designed as a space to meet the needs of children in grades six through twelve (6 – 12). Therefore, the Teen Room and the activities in this area are reserved for use by those customers.

Appropriate activities for the Teen Room include: reading, studying, doing homework and working on school projects, using personal devices for suitable recreation, research, and communication, and participating in drop-in and passive activities. All library policies are in effect in the Teen Room.

The rules listed below will help ensure that teens feel welcomed and comfortable in this space.\*

- Except for those browsing reading materials, everyone must be in a seat. Sitting, lounging, or lying on the floor is not permitted. One person per seat.\*
- Respect each other, library staff, and other library users in both word and action. Offensive language and bullying will not be tolerated.
- We ask that the cleanliness of the room be maintained by having drinks with lids only, and keeping tables and the floor free of wrappers, snack bags, and trash.
- There are no desktop computers in the Teen Room. Those (grades 6-12) wishing to use the internet for homework, games, or web searching may use their own devices. They may use desktop computers upstairs if they are available.
- The Teen Room should be used only for its intended purposes, therefore, no physical contact, rough housing, hitting or PDA are permitted. Any behavior considered disruptive or aggressive by staff may result in police being notified and further actions being taken.
- The Library is a public building and personal items should never be left unattended. Library is not responsible for lost or stolen items.

\*Currently (as of 3/14/25) there are two tables with four chairs each, a table of activities, and a desk chair in the room. Staff may change the setup and availability of furniture and activities at any time.

**Violating any of these rules is grounds for being asked to leave the Library immediately.** If asked to leave the Library, you must leave the Library Grounds. Repeat offenses may result in loss of library privileges. The terms of privilege loss is up to the Library staff.

*Approved by The Kelley Library Board of Trustees April 21, 2025*