

BRADLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT  
PUBLIC USE OF THE LIBRARY POLICY

**Section 8: Computers and Internet**  
**Part 1: Eligibility and Computer Use**

The Bradley Public Library District reserves the right to limit, refuse, and/or ban any patron from using the library equipment and computers. Violation of any aspect of this policy may result in the loss of computer and/or library privileges. Usage of the library's computers constitutes acceptance of this policy.

**Adult Requirements**

Patrons wishing to use the library's computers must agree to the Bradley Public Library District Internet Use Policy. Adults age 18 years and older cannot use computer workstations in the Youth Services Department except when assisting a child.

**Youth Requirements**

Children age 8 and under must be supervised by a parent or parent approved adult over the age of 18 while using the library's computers. Children 9 and older may use the library's Internet accessible computers provided a parent or guardian has consented to the child's use of the library's Internet accessible computers by checking the appropriate box on the child's Library Card Application. Parents may restrict their children under the age of 16 from using any computer stations by not consenting to computer use on the children's Library Card Application. Children under the age of 18 are restricted to the computers in the Youth Services Department. Staff may make exceptions due to extenuating circumstances.

**General Requirements**

All users should use their own library barcode number to login to library computer workstations. Guest passes will be given if proper identification is presented. Use is limited to patrons with no long overdue materials or outstanding bills. Overdue fines do not impact computer use eligibility.

Computer users initially receive 3 hours of computer time per day. Time may be extended in one hour increments up to 3 additional hours if all of the computers are not being used. Computers shut down automatically 10 minutes before closing.

The Library's public computers are intended for use by a single individual only. In all cases, because of limited space and in consideration of other Library patrons, a maximum of two persons may sit and work together at any one computer. If disruptions occur because of overcrowding at any of the terminals, staff may ask all non-users to leave the computer area.

**Responsibility of Patrons**

The Bradley Public Library cannot assure privacy or system security and is not responsible for damages, indirect or direct, arising from a library patron's use of computers and electronic network resources. The library is not responsible for damage to storage media and devices or loss of data while using the library's computers.

The “Code of Conduct Policy” applies to the behavior of patrons using the library’s computers and electronic information networks.

**Patron Assistance and Instruction**

The Bradley Public Library’s staff may provide assistance to patrons in the use of computers and electronic information networks as time and staff knowledge permits. Staff will not enter any data into a website on behalf of, nor complete an online form for, any patron. It may not be possible for staff to evaluate or judge the quality or merits of sites that the patron may access. Scheduled formal instruction on select aspects of computers and electronic information networks is regularly available.

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