

River Forest Public Library Child Safety Policy

RFPL welcomes the use of its facilities and services by children. However, RFPL is a public building, and as such, is not a safe place to leave a child unattended. RFPL does not assume responsibility for the safety of children.

Children under the age of 10 years must not be left unattended in RFPL, and they must be under the authority of, and accompanied by, a parent/guardian or authorized caregiver age 12 or older. If children are attending programs in which parent/guardian attendance is not required, the parent/guardian /caregiver must remain in the building.

Children 10 years of age or older may use RFPL unattended provided they adhere to the Patron Code of Conduct. However, the parent/guardian or caregiver is responsible for the behavior of his or her child while the child is at RFPL. It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian or caregiver to know the hours of RFPL and to pick up his or her child before RFPL closes.

The Board authorizes RFPL management to establish and implement procedures to address issues of unattended children in RFPL. (See Procedures Patron Code of Conduct)

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