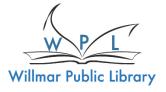
## **Internet Use Rules**



Access to the Internet, a global network of public and private computers, increases availability of resources and provides access to information beyond materials in the Willmar Public Library.

The Willmar Public Library does not restrict access to the Internet or protect users from encountering images or ideas that can be controversial or inappropriate. The provision of access does not imply sponsorship or endorsement of Internet sites or of activities in violation of state or federal laws. *Willmar Public Library assumes no responsibility for direct or indirect results of access to the Internet through our system. Parents and guardians are responsible for their child's use of the Internet.* 

The Willmar Public Library does not guarantee the accuracy of information available on the network. It is the responsibility of the user to evaluate information found on the Internet. Since electronic information is constantly changing and expanding, sources on the Internet may not provide complete or current information.

The American Library Association statement on <u>Access to Digital Resources and</u> <u>Services: An Interpretation of the Library Bill of Rights</u> is part of these rules.

## Patron Use of Willmar Public Library Internet Computers

- Internet users agree to abide by the Pioneerland Library System Internet Use Policy.
- Library patrons must not interfere with the use of the Internet or computers by other patrons.
- Library patrons should be discreet and considerate of others when viewing material.
- Public library staff can provide basic instruction for accessing the Internet only as time allows.
- Use of the Internet is free, however printing and storage devices are available at posted rates.
- Because of space limitations, Internet use is generally limited to two people at a terminal at any one time.

## Access to Internet use may be restricted by the Pioneerland Library System staff if the user violates the following:

- Violating current federal, state, or local law.
- Placing or altering files or programs.
- Damaging or disrupting equipment, system performance, or data.
- Violating copyright or licensing agreements.
- Gaining unauthorized access to resources.
- Invading the privacy of individuals by accessing or damaging data.
- Viewing material that would be considered obscene by local community standards.

## Consequences for violating the Willmar Public Library's Internet Policy

- 1. After first violation, patron will be given a verbal reminder.
- 2. After second violation, patron will be given a written warning.
- 3. A third violation may result in suspension of Internet privileges.

Patrons may appeal a decision by filling out a Pioneerland Library Reconsideration Form.