

## **Internet & Computer Use Policy**

The Hampton Falls Free Library believes in open access to information and is dedicated to providing education, information, recreation and enrichment to the community. It subscribes to and supports the American Library Association's Library Bill of Rights and its interpretations including the Freedom to Read and the Diversity in Collection Development statements.

The Internet is available to library patrons within the library building on designated pc's and through the library's publicly accessible Wi-Fi network. While the Internet serves as an important source of information, patrons are reminded that some Internet sites contain information that is inaccurate, offensive, controversial or inappropriate. Library users access the Internet at their own risk.

Internet access in the Library is a privilege and requires that individual users act responsibly, obeying all local, state and federal laws and treating library materials and equipment in a responsible manner.

Transmission of any material in violation of any federal or state regulation is prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to, copyrighted material, threatening or obscene material, pornographic material, or material protected by trade secret. Manipulating the computer's operating system, setup or files is prohibited. Failure to obey library policies and procedures will result in loss of Internet privileges.

As with other library materials, restriction of a child's access to the Internet is the responsibility of the child's parent or legal guardian. Parents are encouraged to accompany their children and supervise their online activity at the library.

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