

POLICY 415
Addendum to Policy Governing Patron Behavior and Unattended Children

Facility Usage and Unattended Children

The following policy shall be in effect while the Restore Illinois Plan or future health risk plans requires monitoring of social distancing or restrictions of the facility.

1. Children must be 11 and above to use the facility independently, and mature enough to follow health and safety guidelines and restrictions.
2. Children under the age of two are exempt from wearing a face covering, but must be closely monitored at all times by their parent or guardian.
3. It is recommended that small groups utilizing the Library be of the same family.
4. It is recommended that groups of individuals, especially minors, be limited to no more than three at a time as to ensure social distancing and appropriate behavior.
5. Adults should adequately supervise all minors in light of additional health and safety precautions. A patron must be 12 years and above to supervise a minor child, and mature enough to manage the responsibility for additional restrictions.
6. Library staff members may provide additional guidance as needed for any minor or group utilizing the facility in order to best promote health and safety best practices to protect the staff and community.
7. Appropriate behavior may transcend specific age criteria, and staff may use discretion and good judgement to assess individual situations and provide guidance or limitations as needed.

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