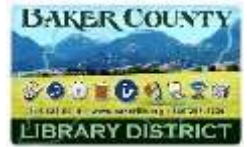


**BAKER COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT
LIBRARY BOARD**



Resolution No. 2025-26.06

**Adopting Revised Patron Code of Conduct Policy and
Rescinding Prior Versions**

Mar 10, 2026

WHEREAS, the Baker County Library District (the “District”) operates libraries and associated grounds (collectively “facilities”) in locations throughout Baker County and provides public library services through District facilities, grounds, and District-sponsored programs and events;

WHEREAS, the District is committed to maintaining safe, clean, welcoming, and productive facilities and environments for all patrons and a safe workplace for District employees and volunteers;

WHEREAS, as a public agency, the District may adopt reasonable, viewpoint-neutral rules of conduct for its facilities that protect patron access, safety, and District operations;

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the proposed Patron Code of Conduct attached as Exhibit A (the “Patron Code of Conduct”) and finds that it supports consistent patron expectations and effective staff administration;

WHEREAS, the District maintains related policies, including the Library Use Restrictions policy, and administrative procedures that provide implementation, documentation, and enforcement guidance;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Baker County Library District as follows:

Section 1. Adoption.

The Board hereby adopts the Baker County Library District Patron Code of Conduct (Feb 2026 version 4), attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated by this reference, as an official District policy effective April 1, 2026.

Section 2. Implementation and Enforcement.

District staff will implement and enforce the Patron Code of Conduct in accordance with applicable law, related District policies (including the Library Use Restrictions policy), and administrative procedures. Administrative procedures may be updated by the Library Director or designee for clarity and operational needs, provided such updates are consistent with the Board-adopted Patron Code of Conduct.

Section 3. Supersession.

This Resolution and Exhibit A supersede and replace any prior District code of conduct policy and any inconsistent provisions in prior guidance documents, as of the effective date.

Section 4. Severability.

If any provision of this Resolution or Exhibit A is held invalid, the remaining provisions shall continue in full force and effect.

Adopted by the Board of Directors of Baker County Library District this 10th day of Mar 2026.

FOR THE BOARD:

Signature

BCLD Board President or Designee

ATTEST:

Signature: Perry Stokes
District Secretary

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EXHIBIT A

Patron Code of Conduct

Welcome. To make sure our libraries are safe, clean, welcoming, & productive environments for everyone, these behavioral rules apply to all District facilities, grounds, and programs/events.

Please:

- **Be mindful of the library's mission of sharing public space and resources fairly.**
- **Do not disturb the peace**—speak softly, mute devices, and use headphones for audio.
- **Be civil and respectful; help keep the library clean and safe**—dispose of trash and tidy up after yourself.
- **Supervise children age 9 and under, dependents, and animals** at all times as required by District policy.
- **Keep personal belongings brought into the library with you**, secure and confined to your immediate area.
- **Use library spaces and resources as intended**; do not misuse, rearrange, or remove library property without staff approval (*except as permitted for room use or borrowing procedures*).
- **Single-occupant restrooms: one user at a time**, except for necessary caregiver assistance.
- **When using library seating, wear enough clothing** to provide a hygienic barrier between skin and furniture. Bare feet are allowed in the library; please use caution.
- **Follow staff directions** and posted rules. Ask for help when you need it, including requesting materials.

Not allowed:

- **Interfering with District operations/services or disrupting others' use and enjoyment** (*e.g. blocking entrances/exits, aisles, service points, resources, or accessible routes*).
- **Creating a hazardous, unsafe or unsanitary condition** (*e.g. running, climbing; throwing objects; feet/shoes on furniture except designated footstools; using **wheeled recreational devices indoors**; spitting; actions or items that create hazards or spread pests/odors/unsanitary conditions; strong odors that substantially interfere with others' library use; unauthorized camping/shelters*).
- **Food/drink that risks spills, litter, odors, or pests** (*light snacks & covered drinks are allowed, except where/when posted or in designated sensitive-collections areas*).
- **Sleeping** or remaining unresponsive in a manner that requires a staff wellbeing/safety check.
- **Leaving personal belongings, children, dependents or animals unattended or uncontrolled in a manner inconsistent with District policy.**
- **Solicitation or unauthorized distribution of materials** in prohibited areas.
- **Recording/filming/photography in a manner that disrupts library operations** or unreasonably interferes with others' use of the library.
- **Illegal activity; physical or verbal abuse/bullying** (*including bias crime, disorderly conduct, harassment, littering, menacing, public indecency, reckless endangerment, theft or property damage, trespassing, etc.*).
- **Smoking or vaping anywhere on District property**; using District electrical outlets to charge vape devices.
- **Alcohol, tobacco, or cannabis use; illegal drug paraphernalia; or being impaired** in a way that disrupts services or creates a safety risk.
- **Unauthorized possession of a firearm or dangerous weapon in library buildings** (*ORS 166.370*).
- **Providing false/fraudulent information or reports** to a District official (*e.g. name, address, date of birth*).
- **Repeated rule violations** or refusal/failure to comply with reasonable staff directions.

If there is a problem:

- **Staff may give a warning** and a reasonable opportunity to stop the behavior.
- **For serious or unsafe conduct, staff may require immediate removal**; refusal to leave promptly may result in law enforcement contact.
- **Violations may result in temporary restriction of access** to resources and services, or exclusion from District facilities and programs (See **Library Use Restrictions policy**).