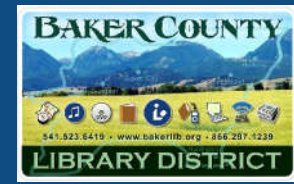


BCLD Patron Code of Conduct

Staff will refer to Administrative Procedures for implementation and enforcement guidance.



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**).

Need help or want to report a concern? Please talk with staff at the service desk.