Internet Policy of the Pembroke Public Library

The Pembroke Public Library does not monitor, and has no control over, the information accessed through the Internet and cannot be held responsible for its content. As with other library materials, restriction of a child’s access to the Internet is the responsibility of the parent/legal guardian. The library expects parents/guardians who are concerned about their children’s use of electronic resources to provide guidance for their own children. Parents/guardians are encouraged to share with their children the exploration of resources available on the Internet through the library. We cannot be responsible for the accuracy or timeliness of information found.

The Library upholds the right of confidentiality and privacy for all users. However, absolute privacy for patrons using electronic resources in the library cannot be guaranteed. Children are especially at risk, and parents should remind them to not give out personal information over the Internet on websites, or in chat rooms.

The library is not responsible for websites accessed. Any attempt to violate any state or federal law, including copyright laws, will result in revocation of the right to use Library computers. Any attempt to access material legally defined as obscene, child pornography, or material “harmful to minors” as defined by law is expressly forbidden and appropriate authorities will be notified.

Some computers are filtered. Adults may request that the filters be turned off for research. The library does not limit the use of any computers. No filter is perfect, and there will be material some may find objectionable.

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The computers at the library and the WIFI access are on a public network. The library’s wireless networks are unencrypted. Data transmitted on unencrypted networks can be monitored or recorded and connected devices may be vulnerable to security attacks. Patrons using the library’s networks accept this risk and the library accepts no responsibility for damage or loss resulting from use of its networks. While the computers have anti-virus software, patrons should always use caution and know what websites they are connecting to. Any information being sent or received could potentially be intercepted.

Amended and Voted by the Library Trustees, October 13, 2016