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As with all library materials, parents and guardians are ultimately responsible for providing supervision or restriction of their children's use of the Internet. While Internet access in the children's area is available in a kiosk mode that will only allow access to selected sites, the responsibility for children's computer use still rests with parents and guardians. In the computer lab, unrestricted Internet access is available.

Use of the Internet workstations is for LEGAL purposes only. Internet users may not use the Library's computers to display materials which are sexually offensive. Sexually offensive material includes any items which depict nudity, or actual or simulated sexual conduct or sado-masochistic abuse. Other illegal activities which are prohibited include, but are not limited to, the following: software piracy, degrading or disrupting equipment or system performance, gaining unauthorized access to resources or entities, invading the privacy of individuals, engaging in any activity that is deliberately offensive or creates an intimidating or hostile environment, violation of copyright or licensing agreements.

The Library will not host individual e-mail accounts or websites on its server. The Library allows e-mail access from the computer lab if such-e-mail accounts are web-based.

The Library is not responsible for online breakdowns and/or equipment failures by Internet providers nor for any virus downloaded by any user. It also assumes no responsibility for direct or indirect damage which may result from use of the Library's Internet connections.

Failure to comply with these guidelines can result in loss of access to the computer lab.

#### WARNING TO THE INTERNET USER

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