SECTION XV.

BALDWINSVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY BARRING POLICY

CONSEQUENCES OF MISBEHAVIOR

The Baldwinsville Public Library is dedicated to creating a pleasant, welcoming environment for all its patrons. Behaviors that disrupt this environment and those that create threatening, unsafe situations will not be tolerated. Penalties for unacceptable behaviors are listed below and will be assigned at the discretion of the Library Director.

There are two categories of unacceptable behavior:

- 1. Disruptive, but not Illegal
- 2. Illegal

(1) <u>Disruptive behaviors will result in the following restrictions on Library access:</u>

1st Offense Warning or one-month suspension depending on the severity of the

offense

2nd Offense One month to three months suspension depending on the severity of the

offense

3rd Offense One year suspension

• Disturbing others by playing loud music or by singing or speaking loudly

- Engaging in loud, disruptive cell phone conversations
- Consuming and/or sharing food (except in areas and at times specifically designated by the Library)
- Taking drinks of any kind into the computer area
- Bringing animals into the library (except for those required by disabled persons or for scheduled programs)
- Rollerblading, skateboarding, loitering
- Spitting
- Any other behavior that disrupts or goes against Library policies

(2A) These Illegal behaviors will result in the following restrictions on Library access:

1st Offense Three month suspension
2nd Offense One year Suspension
3rd Offense Permanent Suspension

- Stealing Library property
- Defacing Library materials and/or property
- Intimidating, threatening or abusive language and gestures
- Smoking on Library property
- Possession or consumption of alcohol on Library property
- Sexual harassment and Sexual misconduct in the Library
- Displaying sexually suggestive objects or pictures (i.e., a violation of state and federal laws governing obscenity)
- Making copies of computer software protected by copyright

(2B) These Illegal behaviors will result in permanent eviction from the Library:

- Using or selling illegal drugs on Library property
- Bringing weapons onto library property (exception: Law enforcement personnel in the performance of their duty)
- Indecent exposure
- Physical threats, abuse and assault

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