

Policy #14
Teen Center Use

The Library is dedicated to providing safe, welcoming, and enjoyable spaces for people of all ages. The Teen Center is one such space that provides services and programs to specifically support teens and their unique needs.

The presence of adults and children is shown to act as a barrier for teens ability to comfortably utilize their space. As such, in keeping with the Young Adult Library Association's *Teen Space Guidelines* this dedicated space and the contents and furniture therein (with the exception of circulating collection materials) is intended solely for use by teens in grades 6-12 or ages 12-17.

Everyone is welcome into the Teen Center to retrieve materials from the circulating collection. However, any persons not within the appropriate age or grade range, including parents and siblings of teens, utilizing resources besides the circulation collection may be asked to leave the area.

This policy also extends to the Community Room or any venue being used for a Teen Center event or program.

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