

Behavior in the Public Sectors of the Gladwin County District Library and the Gladwin Community Arena.

The Board of Trustees of the Gladwin County District Library is empowered by the District Library Establishment Act, MCL 397.171 et seq., to supervise and control Library property, to adopt bylaws and regulations, not inconsistent with the Act and to do any other thing necessary for conducting the Library service. In keeping with the mission of the Gladwin County District Library and the Gladwin County Community Arena, users are expected at all times to conduct themselves in an appropriate manner that does not interfere with others or that does not disturb the nature of the library or arena programs and services. The Library is intended for research, circulation of materials and reading and the Gladwin County Community Arena is for recreational purposes for all ages.

The following behavior, without limitations, is prohibited in the Gladwin County District Libraries and Community Arena:

- Remaining in the library/arena after closing hours unless having a 24/7 physical fitness card.
- Sleeping in the facilities
- Eating in non-designated areas and bringing outside food without administrative approval
- Drinking at computers
- Smoking or use of any tobacco products inside the facility.
- Creating excessive noise or continuous talking that infringes on other patrons' use of the library. Abusive language, including vulgarisms, profanities, and obscenities. Including language directed at staff/volunteers for Arena Staff, Library, Genealogy Society, or Friends of the Library.
- Misuse of furniture or tables such as climbing/standing or placing feet on them.
- Rollerblading or skateboarding in arena facility or surrounding grounds.
- Harassment, including physical, sexual or verbal abuse
- Exhibitionism/voyeurism
- Lewd behavior
- Intoxication
- Consuming or possessing alcoholic beverages or illegal substances
- Possession of an illegal weapon or using an item in a threatening manner.
- Vandalism
- Defacing and/or improper use of arena/library property including library materials.
- Leaving children unattended
- Gambling
- Violating city ordinances, state or federal laws, or specific arena/library policies
- Loitering within the building or in, at, or near entrances, exits or parking lots
- Solicitation
- Entering or remaining in the building without a shirt and /or shoes
- Misusing the restrooms
- Playing radios or audio without headphones
- Bringing pets into the library or leaving animals at entrance/exit areas except service animals used to assist persons with disabilities.
- Rearranging furniture or room contents without prior authorization

- Entering non-public areas without the sole permission of staff.
- Illegal or unethical use of the Internet according to library/arena computer policy
- Use of cellular telephones unless used in lobby or hallways outside of the library or by consent of library staff.
- More than one person at a computer unless for instruction or shared session as long as proper library behavior is displayed.
- Bringing bicycles into buildings, securing bicycles to the handicapped ramp railing at any entrance or exit, or parking bicycles in such a manner that they obstruct patrons entering or exiting the library.
- All campaigning, petitioning, interviewing, or survey-taking in a manner that results in the disruption of normal building operations. Permission must be obtained from the Library Director before such activities may take place.

PERSONS WHO VIOLATE THE ABOVE RULES ARE SUBJECT TO THE WITHHOLDING OF LIBRARY PRIVILEGES AS FOLLOWS:

FIRST OFFENSE: ONE WARNING, THEN OUT FOR THE DAY.

SECOND OFFENSE: LIBRARY PRIVILEGES WILL BE REVOKED FOR ONE WEEK.

THIRD OFFENSE: LIBRARY PRIVILEGES WILL BE REVOKED FOR ONE MONTH.

SUBSEQUENT OFFENSE: LIBRARY PRIVILEGES WILL BE REVOKED FOR 90 days, with possible revocation for one year.

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, any person may, without prior notice or warning, be immediately removed or trespassed from the Gladwin County District Library, in accordance with Local, State or Federal Law, if his or her presence or conduct on the premises poses an immediate and imminent danger to any person or property.

Persons whose Library privileges are withheld for any duration pursuant to the above rules may appeal to the Library Director and will be given the Director's contact information immediately upon notification of revocation of Library privileges.

In the case of other activities that are not related such as school events, organized sports, etc. upon where the patron must use the facilities, a meeting between patron, Library Director, Coach, school official, and/or organization representative may be called for a meeting to discuss and decide on a proper agreement.

Persons whose Library privileges are withheld for more than 30 days pursuant to the above rules may appeal to the Library Board of Trustees by appearing in person during the Citizens' Comments portion of the agenda at a special or regularly scheduled Board meeting. The Board may choose to call a special meeting to address an appeal request. This appearance must be within sixty (60) days after the Library's mailing of notice of withholding of privileges. Such person's suspension from Library premises shall be rescinded for the limited purpose of attending any Board meeting at which they appear to appeal. The

Board of Trustees may extend the usual and customary time limit afforded to an individual for public comment to grant a person making an appeal sufficient time to address the Board. The Board shall hear the appeal, and respond in writing within 10 days.