

Garrett Public Library

Unattended Child Policy

You and your child are welcome in the library. We are delighted to provide resources and services to you and your family.

You are responsible for monitoring your child's activities and behavior. You are responsible for your child's safety. Library employees are not responsible for the care or supervision of minor children on library property.

Children share library space with people of all ages. Disruptive behavior will not be tolerated. If your child is disruptive, he or she may be directed to leave the library. Parents and caregivers will not always be contacted when this occurs. It is the parents' or caregivers' responsibility to be aware of where their children are.

There will be times the library will be closed due to natural disasters, bad weather, or building issues. Parents and caregivers should not assume their children will always be in the library. They should have alternate places for children to stay when the library is closed or when their child is directed to leave.

In cases where the safety or well-being of a child is threatened, library staff will try to locate the responsible parent, guardian, or caretaker. If this is not possible, law enforcement or child protective authorities will be notified to take custody of the child.