



TEEN LOUNGE USE POLICY

The Lemont Public Library District is committed to providing an inviting and safe space for teenage patrons to engage in individual and group activities. The social nature and unique characteristics of this age group require a separate space designed for their needs.

REGULATIONS

- The Teen Lounge at the Lemont Public Library District is for students in 6th-12th grade.
- Homeschool students in 6th-12th grade are encouraged to take advantage of the Teen Lounge for studying, accessing computers, and utilizing the collection.
- While patrons of all ages are welcome to browse and check out materials from this Young Adult Collection, the use of computers, television, video game consoles, and other electronic equipment within this room is exclusively for the use of the junior high and high school students in 6th-12th grade.
- The Library reserves the right to utilize the Teen Lounge for scheduled teen programs, events, and gaming activities.
- Covered beverages are allowed in the Teen Lounge. Other food and beverages are not allowed.

The Library recognizes the importance of supporting the educational and recreational needs of teens by providing access to computer equipment. The Library has designated the computers located directly outside the Teen Lounge as Teen Only computers.

REGULATIONS

- Use of the Teen computers is restricted to students including homeschool students in 6th-12th grade.
- No exceptions will be made for library patrons whose age falls outside this range.
- Water bottles, food, and beverages are prohibited near computer equipment.

ENFORCEMENT

Teens in violation of the Teen Lounge Policy or the Library Code of Conduct will be given a warning. Library staff reserves the right to immediately ask teens in question to leave in cases of inappropriate behavior or repeated violations of policy. Teens who violate policy may lose library privileges and be required to be accompanied by an adult when on library property.

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