



AFTERSCHOOL USE of the LIBRARY

The Converse Free Library welcomes people of all ages. Its mission is to encourage learning, curiosity and the sharing of ideas. To ensure that all patrons can enjoy the library's resources and its environment, the staff and

trustees have established the following rules for unaccompanied children who use the library:

- Library staff members and volunteers do not assume the role of parents. They are not responsible for activities of patrons, including children, except when their behavior interferes with the library's mission and the safety and comfort of its users.
- If a staff member or volunteer needs to speak to a child about his or her behavior more than once in a day, that child may be asked to leave for the remainder of the day. Children may call a parent and wait for transportation in the library lobby or outside if necessary.
- Consideration for others includes moderate voices and respectful behavior inside the library.
- All backpacks, bags and coats should be put on the bench in the side entry hall or under a table.
- Children in elementary school may use the computers in the children's area only. There is a 20-minute limit when others are waiting, and students using computers for homework receive preference over those who are playing games during busy times (generally, 3-4:30 p.m.).

Thank you for respecting your library!