

PUBLIC WIRELESS NETWORK POLICY

The purpose of the Voorheesville Library's Wireless Network policy is to provide users 15 years of age or older (users under 15 years of age must have a parent or guardian's signed permission to use the Internet) access the Voorheesville Public Library's Wireless Network.

To access the service, a user must agree to abide by the terms of this policy and the Library's Internet Policy. It is the library's goal to provide access to the wireless network during normal library operating hours. However, high demand, reliability of technology and other factors may affect the delivery of the service. For these reasons the library cannot guarantee the availability of the service.

The Voorheesville Public Library is not responsible for the content, quality, validity or currency of any information that the library did not create. The library reserves the right to modify or discontinue this service if it is judged necessary by the Board of Library Trustees.

The library's policy is to inform the user that the user accepts responsibility for any personal information that is sent out through the wireless network. Communications through the wireless network should not be considered secure. Any personal information that is sent through the wireless network could potentially be intercepted by a third party using the wireless network.

It is strongly recommended that updated antivirus and firewall software be installed on your computer.

It is the responsibility of each user to obey all local, state and federal laws when using the wireless network, including but not limited to copyright, fraud, obscenity, and privacy legislation. A user acknowledges that unauthorized reproduction, transfer or use of material accessed through this service may be a criminal offense under the United States Copyright Act.

A user may not attempt to violate the integrity of any information available through the wireless network, or any systems accessible through this service. A user may neither attempt to access secured files or systems nor cause any obstruction of use through actions such as consuming large amounts of system resources.

Failure to abide by the terms of this policy will result in suspension of a user's wireless network privileges. If appropriate, the library may also pursue criminal prosecution.

The user accepts full responsibility for selecting, installing, and configuring the hardware and software necessary for using the wireless network. The library assumes no responsibility for any investments a user makes in hardware or software, nor does it assume the burden of support for interfacing the user's system with the wireless network.

In order to connect to the Library's Wireless Network, the user needs an 802.11b or g network card. The user needs to set their TCP/IP settings to automatically obtain an IP address and to automatically obtain a DNS server address. The user may need to set their SSID to Library Wi-Fi.

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