



Policies and Procedures
Policy 0013

Electronic Information Access

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The Board of Trustees of the Stevens County Rural Library District recognizes that within the library district are groups and individuals with diverse interests, backgrounds and needs.

It is the policy of the Stevens County Rural Library District to make electronic and Internet resources, together with its collection of library materials, available to its customers as a means of providing information in support of its mission.

Library staff will provide training on electronic resources usage for patrons, as they do for other resources. Staff will also make available information to help parents and guardians in efforts to exercise their rights and responsibilities regarding their own children's use of electronic resources.

Staff have installed filtering solutions that work within our networked environment. Staff continue to refine filtering solutions as technology changes and connectivity options change in the various communities of Stevens County.

All patrons will be offered filtered access. There is no provision in the Act for disabling the filter for a minor (age 16 and under). If an adult patron (17 years of age or older) wishes to opt out of filtering, he/she may request this of a SCRLD staff member.

The use of all library resources, including electronic resources, is voluntary. Because of the Internet's unstructured, unregulated and international nature, there is no assurance that any software will block access to all materials that fall within the selected blocked categories.

Access to, use of or dissemination of constitutionally unprotected (illegal) materials is unacceptable in the library. Use of SCRLD computers for other unlawful purposes is also prohibited.

The Rules of Conduct also apply to the use of electronic equipment and resources. Failure to follow the Rules of Conduct may be cause for a temporary or permanent prohibition from use of library equipment or facilities.

The District's Director is responsible for establishing procedures to carry out this policy.