



Fairbanks North Star Borough Public Libraries Internet Use Policy

The library offers computers with Internet access at the Noel Wien and North Pole Branch libraries. Internet access for personal computers and devices is also available at both facilities.

The Library cannot and does not monitor or accept responsibility for material in external Internet sources. Library users are individually responsible for their own access, use, or dissemination of information via the Internet in the Library.

Filtering Software:

- Per FNSB Code 2.24.20, filtering software is enabled on all public access to the Internet.
- Per FNSB Code 2.24.20 B. The library director, or the library director's designee shall temporarily disable Internet filtering software on a library computer to allow an adult unfiltered access for any lawful purpose.
- Per this policy, an adult is defined as a person who is at least 17 years old. A person requesting access to a blocked site may be asked to prove they are 17 or older.
- The eligible person who requests an unfiltered session is responsible for preventing access or viewing by individuals younger than them, especially to materials that are obscene: pornographic or harmful to minors during their sessions. Failure to comply with this policy may result in a loss of privileges.
- Filtering will not be disabled on any computers in the Noel Wien Berry Room or the children's area of the North Pole Branch Library. All web sites or programs accessible on the Berry Room workstations will be selected by library staff.

All Workstations:

- Parents or legal guardians are responsible for their own children's use of the Internet, including the use of email, chat rooms, or other direct electronic communication.
- All use of library Internet workstations is limited to lawful purposes. Users are required to observe all federal, state and local laws that may govern use of the Internet. These laws include, but are not limited to, those that regulate distribution of obscenity, possession of child pornography, fraud, theft, libel, harassment, invasion of privacy, disclosure of information that identifies a minor, copyright or patent infringement, unauthorized access, and, for users younger than 17 years of age, access to material harmful to minors.
- Objections to the Internet as a library resource will be handled according to the library's Reconsideration of Library Materials procedure. Copies are available upon request.
- Access to public computers is managed with an automated reservation system.



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Internet Access with Personal Computers and Devices, including Wireless Access:

- The Fairbanks North Star Borough Public Libraries provide wireless Internet access.
- Due to liability issues, library staff is not able to set up personal computers or devices to connect to the Library's network, but will offer guidance and answer questions. Library staff members are not able to remove filter restrictions from personal computers or devices.
- Use of the wireless network is at the individual's own risk. The Fairbanks North Star Borough Public Library is not responsible for any damage that may occur to any privately owned computers, devices or its software while connected to the wireless network.

Wireless connectivity and signal strength may vary depending on physical location within the library and the number of users accessing it at any given time.

By using wireless service users agree to abide by the Library's Internet Use Policy. Copies are available upon request.