

Deer Park Public Library Children and Teen Service Policy

Deer Park Public Library welcomes people of all ages to utilize its programs, facilities, collections and services. In order to ensure the safety and well-being of children and teens who use the library and to ensure that the use of The Children's Area and Teen Zone are consistent with the mission, vision and values of Deer Park Public Library System while maintaining an atmosphere of constructive library use, the following policy regarding the appropriate use of The Children's Area and Teen Zone is adopted.

Use of The Children's Area: The materials, services and equipment in The Children's Area are intended for the use of children, their parents and caregivers, and others needing children's materials and services for some specific purpose. All other patrons are required to use the adult areas of the library. Teens should use Teen Zone.

Use of Teen Zone: The materials, services and equipment in the Teen Zone are intended for the use of teens ages thirteen through eighteen. Gaming equipment, computers and special programs are limited to participation and use by teens ages thirteen through eighteen. All other patrons are welcome to use the teen collection, but once material has been selected, they are required to use adult areas of the library. Children should use The Children's Area.