Warren-Newport Public Library District
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Policy 3045 Special Use Spaces: Coco's Cove, The Point, The Vault, and Quiet Reading Room

The Warren-Newport Public Library District (WNPLD) is committed to creating library environments that are welcoming to all age groups. Each area is designed for a specific primary audience, with access determined by the intended purpose and activity level of the space.

Patrons may be requested to relocate if:

- their behavior is inappropriate or poses a safety risk,
- their use of the space or its interactive features disrupts others, or
- the space is reserved for a scheduled program or activity tailored to the designated audience.

General Conduct (All Spaces)

All patrons are expected to follow WNPLD policies at all times, including 3060 Standards of Public Conduct and 3065 Technology Use by the Public. The following are not permitted in any library space: inappropriate, foul, or derogatory language; roughhousing; physical violence; vandalism or damage to library property; or inappropriate use of computers, furniture, or other equipment. Staff may ask patrons to relocate if behavior is unsafe, disruptive, or violates library policy.

Coco's Cove: Purpose and Conduct

Coco's Cove is designed primarily for young children (pre-kindergarten) and adults who are with them. It features interactive elements and soft seating that support early learning, play, and caregiver engagement. Patrons of other ages are welcome when the space is

not reserved for a scheduled program or activity and when their use supports the intended experience for young children and caregivers.

In addition to General Conduct (All Spaces), patrons using Coco's Cove must follow WNPLD policies, including 3063 Unattended Children. Staff will enforce these and other applicable policies to help keep the space safe and welcoming.

The Point: Purpose and Conduct

The Point is designed primarily for children in grades K through 5 and the adults who are with them. Activities, furnishings, and interactive elements are intended to support kids and families. Patrons of other ages are welcome when the space is not reserved for a scheduled program or activity and when their use is consistent with the intended activity level and shared use of the space.

In addition to General Conduct (All Spaces), patrons using The Point must follow WNPLD policies, including 3063 Unattended Children. Staff will enforce these and other applicable policies to help keep the space safe and welcoming.

The Vault: Purpose and Conduct

The Vault is designed primarily for teens (grades 6 through 12). The space supports a range of teen-focused activities, including studying, socializing, gaming, and programs.

The Library may reserve The Vault (or specific areas/equipment within it) for scheduled teen programs or activities; during reserved times, other patrons may be asked to relocate. Outside of reserved times, patrons of other ages are welcome when their use is consistent with the intended activity level and shared use of the space.

In addition to General Conduct (All Spaces), patrons using The Vault are expected to use the space in a way that supports its intended activity level and shared use. The Vault is not a quiet space.

Quiet Reading Room: Purpose and Conduct

The Quiet Reading Room is intended for patrons who are engaged in focused work, reading, or studying. This room is a silent zone. Conversations, phone calls, meetings, and other disruptive activities are not permitted.

In addition to General Conduct (All Spaces), patrons using the Quiet Reading Room must maintain silence and use the room for quiet, focused activities. Patrons who cannot maintain silence, or whose activity is inconsistent with the intended use of the room, may be asked to relocate.

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