



Teen Time Expectations & Permission Slip Grades 6-12

Permission slips will need to be signed and returned before teens are permitted to attend Teen Time at the library on Tuesdays from 6pm-7pm.

Teen's Name: _____ Birthdate (D/M/Y): _____

Name of Parent(s)/Guardian(s): _____

Address: _____

Primary Phone: _____ Primary Email: _____

Emergency Contact (Name/Number): _____

Please provide any information about your teen that might be helpful (allergies, medication, dietary needs):

Teen Time Schedule

**These are optional teen programs that run concurrently during Teen Time hours.*

1st Tuesday: Teen Book Club

3rd Tuesday: Teen BLAB (Bennington Library Advisory Board) Meeting

Expectations

I give permission for my teen to attend Teen Time Tuesdays at the Bennington Public Library from 6pm-7pm. I understand that my teen will not be allowed to exit and re-enter the library during this hour and that the doors to the library will be locked at 6:15pm to prevent re-entry. I understand that I must pick up my teen from the Library promptly at 7pm.

While noise level rules will be more relaxed, standard rules of conduct still apply. I understand that if my teen is not behaving in a manner compliant with the Library's Patron Responsibility Policy (see back of this page), I may be contacted to pick up my teen prior to the end of Teen Time.

I understand that Teen Time is supervised by librarians in the same way as during Library open hours. I understand that my teen is responsible for conducting themselves in a manner that is respectful and appropriate towards staff, other patrons, and the operations of the library.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

Questions? Contact the Library at info@benningtonlibrary.org or 402-238-2201.

Please read and sign both sides of this form.

Bennington Public Library
Patron Responsibility Policy

Please read through this policy carefully with your teen. After they have read and understood the guidelines for patron behavior, they will need to sign and date their understanding of this policy. Thank you.

A. GUIDELINES FOR PATRON BEHAVIOR. The Library Board of Trustees of the Bennington Public Library has approved these rules/guidelines in an effort to set a standard of acceptable behavior conducive to appropriate public library use. Acceptable standards of behavior include but are not limited to this list.

1. Library users shall respect the rights of staff and other patrons and shall not behave in any manner that can reasonably be expected to disturb other persons. Patrons shall not interfere with the right of others to use the library or with the employees' performance of duties. Examples of prohibited behavior include but are not limited to: noisy or boisterous activities, staring at or following another person, singing or talking loudly to self or others, making threats of any kind, destroying property.
2. Speaking should be kept to normal conversational levels. Audio equipment shall not be audible to other people. Cell phone ringers should be off.
3. Children who are age 10 and younger must be supervised by a person age 13 or older.
4. Sleeping in the library is not allowed.
5. Weapons of any type are not allowed.
6. Use of tobacco, alcohol, or illegal drugs is prohibited. Patrons showing signs of drunkenness or drug abuse will be asked to leave the premises.
7. Persons must wear shirts and shoes in the library.
8. Food and drink pose a potential risk to library materials, equipment, and furnishings. We therefore ask patrons to act responsibly when consuming food and drink in the library. The limitation or restriction of food and drink in the library will be at the discretion of the library director or senior library staff when the director is not present.
9. Pets are prohibited; service animals are welcome.
10. Entering the Bennington Public Library facilities with hygiene or public health conditions that interfere with the use of the library by other people is not allowed. This could include but is not limited to clothing or body odor, insects, pests, or unsanitary belongings.
11. Compliance with the Internet/Computer Use Policy is mandatory.
12. Any person not complying with these rules or with local or state law shall be asked to leave the library premises and may receive a temporary or permanent ban from future library use.
13. Patrons temporarily or permanently banned from the library may appeal this decision by contacting the Library Director at least one week before the next regular meeting of the Bennington Library Board. The patron making the appeal should attend the Library Board meeting when the matter is on the agenda.

I, _____, understand that I am responsible for adhering to this policy. I understand that my acknowledgement of this policy is an agreement to conduct my behavior safely, respectfully, and appropriately at every Teen Time.

Signature of Teen(s)

Date

Please read and sign both sides of this form.