



North Suburban Library District Internet Policy for Computer Access

Users may not use electronic information networks in any way that violates a federal, state, or local law. In accordance with [the Child Information Protection Act \(CIPA\)](#), NSLD uses a web management tool to restrict access to Web pages that transmit images or information that is pornographic or illegal. Local laws prohibit viewing pornography in public places, such as the library. Internet Policy follows:

- Accessing pornography on any library computer or on any mobile device while in the library or on library grounds is a violation of local ordinance Division 3 Section 54-77, which prohibits display of pornography in a public place. Patrons may not access or attempt to access inappropriate sites.
- The library uses a commercial Internet filter to restrict access to Web pages that transmit images or information that is pornographic, illegal, or inappropriate for library usage.
- Users should be aware that no filtering product can block all offensive sites. The library assumes no liability in the event that a filter is not 100% effective.
- Because no filtering product can block all offensive sites, library staff may periodically monitor computer use.

Equipment and Computer Use at NSLD

- **The North Suburban Library District (NSLD) reserves the right to limit, refuse, and/or ban any patron from using the library equipment and computers.**
- Reciprocal patron computer use is limited to patrons who have a valid library card from an Illinois public library.
- Patrons must be in good standing, i.e., fines and fees owed are less than \$5.00, and overdue materials have been returned.
- Computer usage is on a “first come, first served” basis.
- Usage for NSLD cardholders is limited to 3 hours per day. Reciprocal patrons may use the computers for 1 hour per day. An additional 1 hour of computer time may be purchased for \$1.00 at the Reference Desk once per day if no other patrons are waiting to use a computer.
- Visitors who do not have an NSLD library card or reciprocal library card may receive a free 15 minute computer pass at the discretion of the Adult Services librarians **or** may pay \$1.00 for 1 hour of computer time once per day.
- There is a charge of \$.15 per black and white printed side and \$.25 per color printed side from a library computer.
- The memory of each computer session is deleted upon logging off. Patrons are unable to save data to library computer hard drives. Patrons must save data to their own external device or through their personal email account.
- The Library restricts the use of personal software on library computers and therefore software installation on the public computers is not allowed. Users also may not delete or modify the equipment or programs in any way.
- Users may not use electronic information networks in any way that violates a federal, state, or local law (See Internet Policy for Computer Access).
- Use of the Library computers or network to copy or distribute protected copyrighted materials is an infringement of federal copyright laws and is not allowed (Title 17 U.S. Code).
- Computers are available in the Children’s Department for children to use. Time is limited to half-hour sessions. If no one is waiting to use a computer the session may be extended. Printing is available only from the “Elementary Computers” through a printer at the Children’s Reference desk. Parents and caregivers are responsible for their child’s use of the computers and should be aware of the library’s Internet and computer use policies prior to the child’s use of the computer.