

# LIBRARY POLICY CITY OF TUALATIN

### CHILDREN'S ROOM AND TEEN ROOM USE POLICY

**POLICY:** Tualatin Library is committed to providing an inviting, safe space for youth that is responsive to their needs. The teen and children's areas of the Library are specifically designed to serve the needs of younger patrons.

#### RULES:

#### Access to the Children's Area and Programs

The Children's Room is intended for children (infants through grade 5) and their parents or caregivers. Adults in the Children's Room must be using the room's materials or be accompanied by a child. Adults and teens not fitting this description will be asked to leave the area.

Children's programs are held for the instruction and enjoyment of children and their caregivers. Adults attending programs without children will be asked to leave.

#### Access to the Teen Area and Programs

The Teen Room is reserved for the exclusive use of teens (grades 6-12). Adults or children may enter the room to briefly visit with a teen or talk to Library staff. All other adults or children will be asked to leave the area.

Teen programs are held for the instruction and enjoyment of teens. Adults attending programs intended for teens only will be asked to leave.

Teens are expected to adhere to the Teen Room Code of Conduct.

**APPROVAL:** This policy is approved by Tualatin Library Advisory Committee September 1, 2015; updated August 4, 2020.

## **Teen Room Code of Conduct**

(This Code of Conduct serves in addition to the Library Rules.)

This space is reserved for Middle and High School students with photo identification or a WCCLS library card. You must present your card/id to enter this space.

Treat people and the space with respect. Use appropriate language. One person per chair. No roughhousing or messing around. No public display of affection. Clean up after yourself!

Approved by the Tualatin Youth Advisory Council on May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2008; updated by the Teen Library Committee March 2017.