

Library Guidelines for Children and Parents

Children Under the Age of Twelve

According to Connecticut General Statutes, Section 53-21a., children under the age of twelve (12) may not be left unsupervised in a place of public accommodation for a period of time that may represent substantial risk to the child's health or safety. This includes the Library and its premises.

Exceptions may be made during scheduled Library programs, at which time the person responsible for the child's supervision may be absent for the duration of the program but **must remain in the building**.

Children Aged Twelve and Older

Children aged twelve (12) years and older may use the Library unaccompanied by an adult, as long as they follow the guidelines for acceptable and unacceptable behavior set out in the Patron Behavior Policy.

Library staff does not monitor children leaving the premises, nor is it their responsibility to know with whom a child is leaving.