



UNATTENDED CHILDREN POLICY

PURPOSE

Children nine years of age and under must be accompanied by, and be under the direct supervision of, a parent or designated caregiver who is thirteen years of age or older.

Children ten years of age and older may use the library unattended.

Staff does not provide custodial care or surveillance of unattended children.

Parents are responsible for the actions of their children, including their children's access to library materials.

Everyone, both adults and children, must comply with the LPL Code of Conduct.

CLOSING TIME

- Children who do not have transportation home at closing time will be asked for telephone numbers of people who can pick them up at the library. Staff will attempt to contact them to come get the child.
- If a child 17 or younger is not picked up after 30 minutes of the library closing, library staff will call the Longview Police Department (LPD).
- Two staff members are required to stay with children until they are picked up.

Recommended for approval: Jacob Cole 08/04/2023

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