

Regulations Regarding Use of, and Behavior in, the Teen Room at the New Rochelle Public Library

The following is the policy regarding entry, use and expectations for behavior in the Teen Room of the New Rochelle Public Library.

The Teen Room was created for the use of those patrons in 6th – 12th grade (referred to hereafter as “teen” or “teens”) and as such restrictions on the use of the room are as follows:

- During afterschool hours (2:45 – Closing on weekdays), weekends, and school holidays, the Teen Room is “Teens Only.” Adults and younger children are welcome in the room only if accompanied by a teen. Adults are welcome to come in to select materials, but must leave after doing so if not accompanied by a teen.
- During all other hours, the Teen Room is open to all patrons, although special consideration will be given to teens who are in the library, and tutors and others serving teens who might need the space.
- At all times when not in use the Teen Room Digital Media Lab is to remain locked.

Behavior in the Teen Room is governed by the attached document, “Expectations for Behavior in the Teen Room.”



Expectations for Behavior in the Teen Room:

Respect Others

Be courteous. Don't take up unnecessary space. Respect other people's personal space and personal property. Respect the library staff

Respect the Space

Be mindful of the fact that you are still in a library. Respect the materials, equipment, and furniture.

DISRESPECT will **NOT** be tolerated in the Teen Room. Excessive noise, cursing, running, pushing, **fighting of any kind** (including playfighting), public displays of affection are **DISRESPECTFUL**

You must be in 6th—12th grade to hang out in the teen room during afterschool, weekend and school vacation hours. People younger or older than this are welcome to come in to select materials, and may remain in the room only if accompanied by a teenager.

You can't eat or drink in the teen room. Sorry.

You may use your phone inside the teen room, but keep your use at a respectable volume.

The TV, game systems and all controls are only to be touched by library staff.

You need a 'Teen' library card to use the computers. Please use your own card, as using someone else's card may result in loss of computer privileges.

Violation of any of the above may result in your being removed from both the Teen Room and the library. If you are asked to leave in this manner on a continual basis you will lose the privilege of using the library.

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