

## General Policy Statement

The Grandview Heights Public Library offers public access to information resources in many formats, one of which is electronic. Internet access is one component of the Library's objective to acquire, organize and preserve materials which advance human knowledge, stimulate ideas and provide education, information and research.

### Statement of Data Accuracy and Appropriate Nature

Through the Internet, the Library will provide a variety of reference databases contracted by local or state providers as well as general Internet access.

- **General access points cannot be warranted to be authoritative, factual or complete.**
- The availability of any information via the Library and its providers **does not constitute endorsement or ratification of the information.**
- The Grandview Library and its providers are **not responsible for the content** of networked information.
- The use of the Internet to engage **in any activity** which constitutes a **violation** of local, state and/or federal **laws** is **strictly prohibited**.
- All users of the service **agree to hold harmless the Library** and its service providers from all claims, losses, damages, obligations and liabilities directly or indirectly related to use of the Internet.
- **The displaying or sending of sexually explicit or suggestive material is prohibited.** Users may not use Library computers or Internet services for any activity that is reasonably construed as obscene or as creating an intimidating or hostile environment.
- The Library (at its sole discretion) **reserves the right to suspend or terminate the Internet privileges** of any patron who violates the Library's Internet policy.
- As with all materials, the Library **cannot be responsible for a child's use** of the service, but will encourage children to select appropriate sites. Final responsibility will rest with the parents, guardians & caregivers.

The Internet provides easy access to a massive body of information which expands Library resources beyond traditional collection and electronic resources. Some resources, as with books, may be offensive. **The Library cannot monitor and has no control over the information accessed over the Internet and cannot be responsible for the content.**

## Statement of Confidentiality

Users have a right to confidentiality of all their activities. However, users of on-line services should be aware that security is technically difficult to achieve and electronic communications could become public.



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