

PUBLIC ACCESS INTERNET POLICY
LOOGOOTEE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Whereas electronic information technologies are becoming a common feature in modern public libraries, and whereas Loogootee Public Library has always endeavored to provide citizens of the library district with the best possible access to information resources, public access to the Internet is offered. This new service is established in response to advances in technology and the changing needs of the community and in the spirit of free access to information. As with other electronic services offered by LPL, the primary purpose is for research and informational needs.

The Internet is a global network with a highly diverse population of users. LPL does not monitor, nor maintain, control over, and cannot censor the information available over the Internet through its public access station. Individuals should also be aware that it is possible to access material which they may find controversial, inappropriate or offensive. Users should also be aware that not all sources on the Internet are accurate, complete, or current. As with other information resources offered by the library, parents and only parents are responsible for supervising their children's access.

APPROPRIATE USE

Users are expected to confine their Internet exploration and access to appropriate use. It is not appropriate to use the library computer to access obscene, pornographic or illegal materials. Use of the computer to harass others, to violate copyright laws, to obtain illegal copies, modify data, or access passwords of other users to misrepresent other users is illegal as well as inappropriate.

Examples of inappropriate use include: writing and sending chain letters, writing and sending harassing messages of any kind, unauthorized attempts to break into any computer system anywhere, use of the Library's public account for commercial purposes, any attempt to incur expense to the Library, misrepresentation of oneself or LPL.

Staff cannot provide assistance with the internet.