



After-School Policy

The North Miami Beach Public Library welcomes our school-aged patrons as they leave their classes and spend some time with us in the afternoon! Please note the policies below for the use of our facility by school-aged students.

General Policies

- The Library does not allow any items to be left unattended in the Library, including bags, phones, or other personal items. Any items found unattended in the Library will be placed in the Lost and Found at the front desk or possibly discarded. Please keep your items with you at all times and off of the floor/away from the walkways.
- The Library does not allow food or drink to be consumed or opened anywhere on the premises. Only students in the after-school program may eat inside the Library, and only provided snacks during designated snack times.
- The Library is not a childcare facility and cannot supervise unaccompanied minors. **Any child below the age of 10 must be accompanied by an adult of at least 18 years of age.**
- Minors enrolled in the Library's after-school program who leave designated program areas without permission or refuse to participate in activities may be removed from the program.

The Children's Room

- The Children's Room is open to all minors between the ages of **0 to 12**. Teens may patronize the Discovery District instead. Adults may not use the Children's Room for sitting, studying, or other prolonged use unless accompanying a child, and must use the Adult section computers when working on their own projects.
- All children under the age of 10 **must be accompanied by an adult.**
- Between the hours of 2:00 and 6:00 p.m., the Children's Room is to be used for quiet reading, study, and homework.

The Discovery District

- The Discovery District (D²) is open to all minors between the ages of **13 to 17**. Adults are asked to patronize the adult areas of the library; children 12 and under may use the Children's Room instead.
- There may only be a maximum of 30 teens in D² at any given time in order to allow reasonable use of resources and avoid safety concerns.
- Technology stations and games are **unavailable** between the hours of 2:45 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. Teens wishing to use D² may do so to read, study, write, or otherwise work quietly.
- Computers in D² may likewise **only** be used for study and homework between the hours of 2:45 and 6:00 p.m.
- Teens who are being disruptive in D² or who are using it for purposes other than study during the hours above will be asked to leave.

Thank you for helping our Library provide learning and studying opportunities for all ages!