UNATTENDED OR DISRUPTIVE CHILDREN

The Alexandria Library welcomes children to use its facilities and services. However, responsibility for the children rests with the parent/guardian or assigned chaperone, not with library personnel.

Children under the age of eight (8) cannot be left unattended in the library. They must be accompanied by an individual sixteen years or older. Parents or chaperones who bring in children for story time and other library programs must remain in the building.

Children eight or older may use the library unattended, subject to other library policies and procedures concerning behavior, conduct, and demeanor.

Disruptive children will not be allowed to interfere with library service to others. If the disruptive behavior continues, the child or children will be asked to leave the library. Disruptive behavior is any behavior on library premises which infringes on the right of others using the library.

If children are discovered unattended, library staff will attempt to contact their parents and/or the police.

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