

UNATTENDED YOUNG ADULTS POLICY

For the safety and comfort of young adults, parents and young adults should be aware of the following Library policies:

- Parents or caregivers, not the Library staff, are responsible for the behavior and supervision of their children while using the Library.
- The Library does not assume responsibility for the safety and behavior of young adults when they are in the Library. Young adults must obey all Library rules. Parents should be aware that young adults exhibiting disruptive behavior may be told to leave the Library.
- Libraries may have sudden emergencies that cause them to close without advance warning or programs may be cancelled or end early. Parents should advise their young adult children on what to do in these or other unexpected circumstances.
- Parents should be aware of Library hours and program ending times.
- When visiting the Library, young adults must make arrangements to be picked up prior to closing time. While the Library staff is not responsible for the supervision of young adults, on a case-by-case basis, at least two staff members may elect to (i) wait with the young adult until he or she is either picked up, and/or (ii) summon the Suffolk County Police Department. If the Suffolk County Police Department is summoned, the staff members shall wait with the young adult until the Police Department arrives. An incident report describing the situation shall be filed and given to the Library Director.

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