

Internet for Patron-Provided Equipment Policy

Policy Statement

Providing high-speed internet access at the Peter White Public Library (PWPL) is an extension of the library's commitment to meeting the community's information needs. The PWPL also offers this service to guests from outside the library's service area at no cost to those patrons.

Regulations

1. Patrons are welcome to use their own personal computing equipment and devices to access the internet at the library.
2. Use of the internet with patron-provided devices is governed by the library's Computer and Internet Access and Use Policy.
3. Library staff will provide general guidelines on the procedures necessary to connect via the library's access points, but are not responsible for any changes patrons make to their computer settings, and cannot guarantee that a patron's hardware will work with the library's network. Patrons should refer to their owner's manuals or other support services offered by their device manufacturer.
4. The responsibility for security shall lie with the patron. The library shall not be responsible for the possible interception of wireless connections, computer viruses and other malware, nor the risks of transmitting personal data.
5. The library offers the capability to print wirelessly for a fee, which is currently set at \$0.15 per page for black and white. At the discretion of the Library Director, the library may suspend charging for printouts for all patrons when it is deemed prudent to do so.
6. In addition to Wi-Fi access points, the library also provides Ethernet jacks inside the building for patrons to use their own devices to connect to the internet. Ethernet cables are available from the reference desk for patrons to borrow.
7. The library provides Wi-Fi service to its parking lot. Wi-Fi traffic from the parking lot is monitored for excessive activity from single users. It is not the intent of the library to be the sole provider of internet access to those occupying neighboring buildings.
8. Patron-owned Wi-Fi equipment used to extend the library Wi-Fi signal outside of the building will not be permitted on the network.
9. Various library Meeting Rooms are equipped with a display system that utilizes either a projector or a television, and a Wi-Fi access point for that room. While these Wi-Fi access points may be used by any patrons, a room reservation is required to use the display equipment.
10. Study Room users who have been authorized to use a Study Room may use the display system located in their assigned room.
11. Patrons may use the library's electrical outlets to power their personal devices.

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