

## **Oscar Grady Public Library**

### **Internet and Acceptable Use Policy**

The Oscar Grady Public Library Board has adopted the Internet and Acceptable Use Policy which is subject to change without prior notice to the public. The policy is maintained by the Library Director who assures that it is available to the public in print format and on the Library's website.

#### **I. Access**

Oscar Grady Public Library offers public access to the Internet, information databases, and programs by maintaining computer workstations and hosting wireless service.

Accessing the Internet by signing in to use the computer or accessing the wireless service acknowledges that the patron has read and agrees to the provisions set forth in this policy.

Parents or legal guardians are responsible for content accessed by juveniles.

No more than two persons shall be allowed at a computer workstation at any one time.

One hour is granted upon login and may be extended when no other patrons are waiting.

Computer time may be extended in advance for the purpose of online applications and test taking. Patrons should inquire with staff.

#### **II. Acceptable Use**

The Library does not monitor and has no control over the information accessed through the Internet. The Library cannot be held responsible for its contents or use. Information accessed via the Internet may be controversial, graphic, inaccurate, or dated.

The Internet shall be used for educational, informational, and recreational purposes only. Patrons may not use resources for unauthorized, illegal, or unethical purposes. The viewing or use of text or graphics which may be reasonably construed by the library staff as offensive to the public is prohibited.

Patrons must respect the privacy of others and must not misrepresent themselves as another user nor attempt to modify or gain access to the desktop, files, passwords, data, or private information belonging to others or the Library. Seeking unauthorized access to the wireless service, the computer system, or damaging or altering software components of any network or database is strictly prohibited.

Library staff may periodically monitor the use of wireless access to the Internet without notice and has the right to cancel or interrupt use at any time.

Violations and inappropriate use of the computer workstations or the wireless service may result in loss of a patron's access and/or removal from the Library. Illegal use of the workstations or wireless service may be subject to civil or criminal prosecution by local, state, or federal authorities.

### **III. Assistance**

Library staff assistance may be limited to help with basic use and printing. Library staff shall not be available to configure personal computer equipment or provide technical assistance to personal devices unless related to Library applications and websites.

### **IV. Fees**

Patrons are responsible for payment of any fees related to their Internet use at the Library, including but not limited to the cost of printing at the current price-per-page of 25 cents for black and white and 75 cents for color copies.