

## Access to Internet Resources

The Southworth Library provides resources in a wide variety of formats to meet the cultural, informational, recreational, and educational needs of the diverse, multicultural community it serves. The Internet is an integral part of the resources available to assist library users in finding the information they need.

We currently restrict access by minors to inappropriate matter with the use of filtering software as per Child Internet Protection Act (CIPA) requirements.. All computers connect to our network to run this software. We make every effort to ensure the safety and security of minors when using electronic mail, chat rooms, and other forms of direct electronic communications as well as unauthorized access including “hacking” and other unlawful activities by preferentially using computers in a designated area with oversight and through camera security surveillance. Parents are also encouraged to supervise their children’s internet usage.

Adults using computers for research or other appropriate information needs may choose to have the filtering software turned off for their computer session. They must contact the front desk to do so, if they need to access sites that are being blocked’ by the filtering software.

Use of the Internet is also governed by the Library Code of Conduct Policy. The user may not use the Internet for any illegal activity or place any material on the Internet related to any illegal activity. It is the responsibility of the user to respect copyright laws and licensing agreements and Assume responsibility for payment of fees for any fee-based service.

## Southworth Library

### Hours

Monday & Wednesday  
1:30—7:00 pm

Tuesday & Thursday  
11 am—5:30 pm

Friday  
11 am—7:00 pm

Saturday  
10 am—2 pm

Cuddle Up for infants & toddlers  
Wednesdays at 10 am

Preschool Storytime  
Friday at 10 am

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Although the Southworth Library makes every effort of protect your privacy, under the federal USA PATRIOT ACT (Public Law 107-56), records of the books and other materials you borrow from this library as well as Internet sites you visit on our computers, may be obtained by federal agents. That federal law prohibits library workers from informing you if federal agents have obtained records about you

# The Southworth Library Association



## Internet Usage Policy

# Internet policies

1. Your Internet use must be consistent with the Library's Rules of Conduct which have been adopted and are posted in the Library. All public computer users must sign the Internet usage policy form agreement which implies conformity to the requirements within it. Your use of the Library's Internet, computers, and services is a privilege, not a right.
  2. Library patrons may use the Internet with their valid Library card or as a guest. Public computers are available on a first-come, first-served basis and must be signed out at the circulation desk. With a valid library card or temporary user pass.
  3. Patrons 17 and under require a parental or guardian permission form on file with the Library to access the Internet.
  4. Patrons should have basic Internet skills. The library does not provide personal instruction or tutoring on the use of the computer or any of the software products. Some assistance may be available through volunteers or classes as they become available.
  5. There is a \$.10 charge for each B&W page/side printed and a \$.25 charge for color pages/sides printed.
  6. There is a 30 minute time limit on public computers stations and all are turned off 15 minutes prior to closing. This can be extended if the user needs a longer time. Users must check with the circulation desk.
  7. Patrons may not tamper with, alter, edit, damage, or remove computer hardware, data, and/or software
  8. Children are given preferential use of the computers in the children's area and teens in the teen area.
  9. The Library reserves the right to limit the number of people at individual computer stations.
  10. The Library cannot be held responsible for loss of data or information created or used while using public computers.
  11. Access of pornography in any form is strictly prohibited and will result in the withdrawal of internet and computer privileges.
  12. You may not make unauthorized disclosure of, use of, or dissemination of a minor's personal information by means of the Internet, e-mail, or any electronic technology.
  13. You must respect the privacy and sensibilities of others.
  14. The Internet, computers, and network services may not be used for illegal activities, including the harassment of others. You may not misrepresent yourself when using the Internet.
  15. If you utilize system resources (for example, bandwidth) to the extent that your use affects other people's ability to use these same resources, you may be asked to stop.
  16. If the computer you are using is equipped with sound and you are using it we ask that you use headphones, either your own or those provided by the library if they are available.
  17. If you are observed in violation of these rules, you may be asked for identification. Depending upon the nature of the violation, you may be asked to leave, denied the privilege of using the Library's computers and services, or denied Library privileges, from anywhere from one day to one year. Criminal or civil charges may result
- Name: \_\_\_\_\_
- Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# Wireless Internet Access

The WIFI network (southworthwireless) is available in most parts of the library and does not require password login. Your use of the Library's Internet access (both wired and wireless) constitutes your acceptance of this Internet Access Services Policy. You are responsible for configuring your equipment to access the Library's Internet Access Service.

The wireless signal may be lost at random and the library takes no responsibility for lost data or transmission errors. The library is not responsible for stolen equipment, damage to personal equipment incurred during its use at the library, lost data due to network failure, or any harmful downloads on personal computer systems. Wireless access is insecure and your data may be viewed by others on the wireless connection. Users are warned to be careful about transmitting personal information on an open network.

The use of your personal computer for web-based e-mail or downloading software to your own computer is permissible, but the library is not responsible for any damage to your computer by any viruses or harmful software which may occur during its use on the wireless network.

Due to the limited resources available for provision of public access to the Internet, the Library may set limits, for example, on use of large files of still or moving images or sound, or on downloading files in any medium. The public must comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, including laws governing the transmission and dissemination of information while accessing the Internet, and with all Library policies and procedures. The library staff will not be available for any support of personal computers systems.

There is no printing available from the wireless network, and we cannot provide power to personal laptop systems.