

# Welcome

## to the Saint Paul Public Library

### **To ensure your visit to the Library is safe and enjoyable, the following actions are prohibited**

- Physical, sexual, or verbal abuse of other library users or of library staff
- Carrying weapons of any type unless authorized by law
- Defacing or destroying library property
- Interfering with free passage of others, blocking them with one's body, belongings or furniture
- Behaving in a disorderly, loud, or disruptive manner
- Fraudulently using Internet workstations, by such activities as extending time limitations for the use of a computer, or by using an unauthorized library card. Failing to adhere to the Saint Paul Public Library Policy on the Internet or Internet Usage Guidelines.
- Soliciting, selling, petitioning or panhandling in the library or on library grounds. Campaigning is not allowed in libraries except at meetings in library meeting rooms.
- Interfering with others' use of the library through poor personal hygiene
- Leaving young children or vulnerable adults unsupervised or unattended
- Bringing non-service animals into the library
- Bringing carts, wagons, bicycles or other vehicles into the library except as required for young children or persons with disabilities
- Using skateboards or similar non-motorized devices
- Photographing or videographing within the library without authorization
- Bringing food or uncovered beverages into the library
- Entering the library with oversized items too large to fit under a study chair. Leaving personal items unattended
- Consuming alcoholic beverages or controlled substances or smoking. Being under the influence of alcohol or controlled substances in a manner that causes a public disturbance.
- Engaging in any activities while on library premises that are not related to the proper use of the library; proper use includes reading, studying, using library materials, attending library programs, etc.

### **The library staff has the right to:**

- Check bags
- Request identification when applying for a library card
- Restrict the length of time an individual may use library equipment when others are waiting to use it
- Make decisions that are in the best interest of the Library, whenever these Rules do not specifically cover certain situations