## CONDUCT IN THE JEFFERSON-MADISON REGIONAL LIBRARY

The Library is a public place shared by all. To ensure our spaces are welcoming and functional, JMRL asks that visitors respect others' use of the library by following these guidelines:

- 1. Improper or illegal conduct is prohibited. The following forms of conduct are considered improper:
  - a. Disorderly conduct: Behavior that disrupts the regular use of library services
  - b. Obscene, abusive, or sexual language or acts
  - c. Presence in the library or on the library grounds while under the influence of any intoxicant, narcotic, or similar substance
  - d. Use of tobacco products or any smoking or vaping device
  - e. Mutilating or defacing any library property
  - f. Soliciting patrons or staff in library facilities
  - g. Use of library facilities for bathing, laundry, or personal grooming
  - h. Napping or sleeping that is inconsistent with normal use of the library
  - i. Willful violation of copyright laws: Compliance with copyright laws in the use of Library equipment is the responsibility of the user.
- 2. Shoes and shirts must be worn in the library.
- 3. Cellular phones and other audio devices must be used with consideration for others. Ringers must be turned off and conversations must not be disruptive to others.
- 4. Covered drinks are permitted. Dry snacks such as candy, cookies, and popcorn (e.g., food generally dispensed in vending machines) are allowed, but other foods are prohibited except in library meeting rooms.
- 5. All library materials must be properly checked out before being removed from the library.
- 6. The library is not responsible for unattended items. Unattended possessions may be searched or disposed of at the discretion of library staff. Personal possessions must be contained in an area that does not impede others.
- 7. Library staff may request that visitors provide proper identification if needed to provide service.
- 8. Animals, other than trained service animals, are not permitted in library buildings, except for programs approved by the Director, Department or Branch Manager. Animals outside the library may not be left unattended or tethered to library property for more than 10 minutes, and must not obstruct public walkways/entrances.

Visitors who do not follow these guidelines risk removal from the library and loss of future library privileges.