

- vi) Use of tobacco, e-cigarettes, alcohol, or illegal drugs is prohibited. Patrons showing signs of drunkenness or drug abuse will be asked to leave the premises.
- vii) Consumption of food or beverages, with the exception of water, is not allowed except in designated areas.
- viii) Persons six years of age and older must wear shirts and shoes in the library.
- ix) Pets are prohibited; service animals are welcome.
- x) Persons whose bodily hygiene or odor is so offensive as to constitute a nuisance to other patrons and/or library staff shall be required to leave the building.
- xi) Compliance with the Public Internet and Computer Acceptable Use Policy is mandatory.
 - (1) Any person not complying with these rules or with local or state law shall be asked to leave the library premises and may receive a temporary or permanent ban from future library use.
 - (2) Patrons temporarily or permanently banned from the library may appeal this decision by contacting the Library Director at least one week before the next regular meeting of the Culbertson Public Library Board. The patron making the appeal should attend the Library Board meeting when the matter is on the agenda.

b) Unattended Patron Policy

- i) The Culbertson Public Library is a community information resource center. People come to the library to get information, to read, to use the library's resource materials, and to study. It belongs to the whole community and not to any specific person or group of persons. The library is not a playground, recreation center, or daycare facility. Noisy or physically active behavior appropriate in such facilities is not appropriate in the library.
- ii) Section [51-212 of the Nebraska Statutes](#) specifically gives public libraries the power to regulate the use of the Library and to exclude from the Library persons who violate or refuse to comply with the Library's rules and regulations. To prevent undue disruption of normal Library activities, to provide for the general welfare of all persons using the Library and to provide for the general safety of anyone using the Culbertson Public Library the following policies are adopted:
 - (1) All children seven years or younger shall at all times be attended and adequately supervised by an individual 13 years of age or older who is responsible for the care of the children. Patrons eight years of age and older who are unable to care for themselves should at all times be adequately supervised by a caregiver.
 - (2) Children may be left unattended at scheduled Library programs if seven years of age or older. The responsible person should plan to be at the library when the program concludes. Children with special needs related to physical or mental ability shall be attended to at all times.