

WIRELESS ACCESS POLICY

The Grayslake Area Public Library District will provide a free Internet access point or "hot spot" for users with portable computers or devices capable of receiving wireless signals. These access points will allow users to access the Internet from their wireless devices when sitting within range of the access point and is filtered to comply with Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) regulations.

Library staff will provide the access point's service set identifier (SSID), but are not responsible for any changes users make to their computer settings and cannot guarantee that a user's hardware will work with the library's wireless connection.

If a user has problems accessing the Internet over these connections, **staff cannot assist** in making changes to the user's network settings or perform any troubleshooting on the user's own computer or device. Users should refer to their owners' manuals or other support services offered by their device manufacturer.

As with most public wireless "hot spots," the library's wireless connection is not secure. There can be non-trustworthy third parties between the user and anybody with whom the user communicates. Any information being sent or received could potentially be intercepted by another wireless user. Cautious and informed wireless users should not transmit their credit card information, passwords and any other sensitive personal information while using any wireless "hot spot."

The library will not be responsible for any personal information (e.g. credit card) that is compromised, or for any damage caused to your hardware or software due to electric surges, security issues or consequences caused by viruses, hacking or any other type of "mal-ware." All wireless access users should have up-to-date virus protection on their personal laptop computers or wireless devices.

The library provides access only to Web-based email or through a user's personal Internet provider's web page.

Printers are not available via the wireless connection at this time. If users need to print, they should save their work to a portable storage device (e.g. floppy disk) or wait to print a document on a home printer. An alternative is to email files to themselves, then login to a wired library workstation and send documents to the public printer.

Use of this access point is governed by the ***Grayslake Area Public Library District Internet Use Policy***. All users are expected to use the library's wireless access in a legal and responsible manner, consistent with the educational and informational purposes for which it is provided. Users should not violate federal, Illinois or local laws, including the transmission or receiving of child pornography or harmful material, fraud, or downloading copyrighted material.

Any restriction or monitoring of a minor's access to the library's wireless network is the sole responsibility of the parent or guardian.

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