

## Sharing the Library

The Wellfleet Library is for everyone. The Board of Trustees have established some guidelines to manage expectations and allow for the best possible Library experiences for all.

1. The Library Board of Trustees has the authority, under state law, to establish rules for the Library and to exclude any person who violates the rules.
2. Sometimes the Library can be noisy, and sometimes it is quiet. It is *usually* most quiet midday, and in the evenings, when school is in session.
3. We want everyone, including families with young children, to feel welcome.
4. The modern public library is a busy community space as well as a place for traditional library pursuits. Quiet conversation and group study are permitted in all areas of the building. Should this become a problem for you, we suggest the following:
  - Headphones (we have headphones for you to borrow if you need them)
  - Move to another area of the Library
  - Use the Library at a quieter time of day
  - Reserve our conference room
5. Where possible, help others who are trying to sit quietly by having social conversations away from Library patrons who are engaged in reading, work, computer use, and study.
6. Please avoid speaking loudly on mobile phones.
7. Parents must accompany children under the age of nine.
8. Harassment of Library staff or other patrons will not be tolerated. This includes verbal or physical harassment. If harassment occurs, the Library staff may ask you to leave the Library. If you do not comply, the Library staff may contact the police.

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