# **Teen Room Policy**

The purpose of this policy is to outline acceptable use of the Teen Area and its resources and to ensure the Teen Area is a welcoming, safe place for all teens who use it. The Round Lake Library is committed to providing an inviting and safe space for teenage patrons to engage in individual and group activities.

## AFTER SCHOOL (3 pm-8pm), WEEKNDS and SCHOOL VACATIONS:

#### The Round Lake Library's Teen Room is intended for use by students in grades 6-12.

- \*Other individuals are welcome to visit the Teen Room briefly to retrieve books and other library materials.
- \* Parents or caregivers may be in the Teen Room with their child, if the child is between 6th-12<sup>th</sup> grade
- \* The Library reserves the right to utilize the Teen Room for scheduled teen programs, events and gaming activities.

Appropriate activities for the Teen Room include: reading, studying, doing homework, working on school projects, using computers for appropriate recreation, research, and communication. All library policies are in effect in the Teen Room.

Teens are expected to respect the overall Library environment, and may not engage in activities or communications that disrupt other Library users or staff. Behavior in the Teen Room shall be subject to the criteria set forth in the library's formal behavior Policy. The Library reserves the right to ask any individual or individuals to leave the Teen Room should his/her actions violate Library policy. Repeat incidents may result in the loss of library privileges.

## 10 am - 3 pm (when school is in session)

# The Round Lake Library's Teen Room is open and can be requested for individual or group use.

\* The Library recognizes that some families homeschool their children. Homeschool students 6th-12<sup>th</sup> grade are encouraged to take advantage of the Teen Room for studying, accessing computers and utilizing the collection.

\*Groups or individuals may request to use the Teen Room during the hours of 10 am -3 pm when school is in session for up to 2 hours. Please make request at the circulation desk.

\* The Library reserves the right to utilize the Teen Room for scheduled teen programs, events and gaming activities.

All individuals and groups are expected to respect the overall Library environment, and may not engage in activities or communications that disrupt other Library users or staff. Behavior in the Teen Room is subject to the criteria set forth in the library's formal behavior Policy. The Library reserves the right to ask any individual or individuals to leave the Teen Room should his/her actions violate Library policy. Repeat incidents may result in the loss of library privileges.

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