

Unattended Children Policy

Aldrich Public Library

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Parents, legal guardians, or responsible caregivers are always responsible for the safety, well-being, and behavior of their children. The library staff does not assume responsibility for children left unattended.

Children under age 9 shall not be left unattended. They must be attended by a responsible person at all times, preferably a parent or guardian.

Children over age 9 may use the library unattended and will be expected to follow all library rules.

If any child under age 9 is left unattended and the parents, guardians, or caregivers cannot be reached, the police may be notified and they may choose to remove the child to the police station for the child's safety.

Unattended children over age 9 must be picked up prior to closing time. If they are not and a parent or guardian cannot be reached, the police may be notified.

Parents or guardians assume all liability for damage done to the library by their children.

The library staff is not responsible for enforcing the restrictions a parent deems appropriate in what materials a child may access, both in print and online.