

## **Patron Code of Conduct**

(Adopted by the Stickney-Forest View Board of Trustees January 22, 2014; reviewed January 28, 2015)

The Stickney Forest View Public Library District is dedicated to providing access to knowledge and information in a safe and comfortable environment. In accordance with the Illinois Local Library Act (75 ILCS 5), the Board of Trustees of the Stickney-Forest View Public Library has the power to “exclude from the use of the Library any person who willfully violates the rules prescribed by the board.”

The Board of Trustees of the Stickney-Forest View Public Library establishes its patron code of conduct as follows:

Patrons shall not engage in behavior that is disruptive of Library services. This includes but is not limited to excessive noise, interfering with Library use by other patrons, unaccompanied adults in the children’s area, improper attire, offensive hygiene, and entering designated staff areas.

Patrons shall not engage in behavior that is unsafe or disrespectful to Library patrons or staff. This includes but is not limited to leaving one’s belongings unattended, leaving small children unaccompanied, sexual behavior, harassment or bullying, and defacing library property.

Patrons shall not engage in behavior that is illegal on Library property. This includes but is not limited to possession of weapons or illegal drugs, consuming alcoholic beverages, gambling, and displaying obscene texts or images.

The Board of Trustees of the Stickney-Forest View Public Library authorizes the Library’s Director and designated surrogates to establish and implement procedures to ensure adherence to this code of conduct.