

Brandon Township Public Library Internet Use Policy

- The Brandon Township Public Library provides public access to the Internet as part of its mission to deliver services and materials to meet the information needs of its patrons.
- The Brandon Township Public Library upholds and affirms the right of each individual to have access to constitutionally protected materials. The Library also affirms the right and responsibility of parents and legal guardians to determine and to monitor their children's use of Library materials and resources.
- If Library staff become aware of subject matter that would interfere with the maintenance of a safe, welcoming, and comfortable environment for the public, the Internet user will be asked to end a search or change a screen.
- The Brandon Township Public Library offers filtered access to the Internet by default. Unfiltered access is available on a per session basis. Juvenile patrons under 18 years of age are required to obtain parental consent for unfiltered access on a per session basis.
- The Library has created home pages for children and teens that provide content and links to other Web sites that contain age-appropriate information.
- The Library provides access to the Internet for the purpose of researching electronic information resources. Users may browse, print, or transfer files to storage devices.
- Brandon Township Public Library disclaims any warranty as to the quality or accuracy of electronic information via the Internet. The Brandon Township Public Library shall have no liability for any direct, indirect, or consequential damages related to the information contained therein. The library does not guarantee privacy or confidentiality for the use of Library Internet stations.
- The Library's Internet stations may not be used for any purpose that violates U.S., state or local laws. Users must respect all copyright laws and licensing agreements pertaining to software files and other resources obtained via the Internet.
- Library Internet users may not attempt to alter or damage computer hardware or software. Personal software must not be installed or run from any drive.
- Library equipment may not be unplugged, moved, removed, or otherwise modified. Users may not attempt to reconfigure systems or software or in any way interfere with the system set-up.
- Users may not use the network to make unauthorized entry or hack into other computational, informational, or communication services or resources. Users may not invade the privacy of others or engage in any activity that is harassing, defamatory or threatening; or receive or display text or graphics which may reasonably be construed as obscene as defined by law.
- All Library users are expected to use library resources, including the Internet, in a responsible and courteous manner, consistent with the educational and informational purposes for which the resources are provided. All Library users must abide by the Library's Rules of Conduct and Internet Use Policy. Violations may result in the loss of Internet use and/or library privileges.
- Illegal activities will be subject to prosecution by the appropriate law enforcement authorities.