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POLICY

The USCB Libraries welcome children accompanied by a parent or adult caregiver.

The safety and security of children is very important and is the responsibility of the parent or adult caregiver. The USCB Libraries are open to the public, a situation that can present risks to children. Staff cannot assume responsibility for children's safety and comfort when they are unattended.

Parents or legal guardians of minors are responsible for monitoring all library activities of their children. Children are expected to abide by all library user conduct and security policies.

In addition, the library does not control information available over the Internet and is not responsible for its content. Patrons should be aware that Internet sites may contain offensive or controversial material. As with other library resources, restriction of a minor's access to the Internet or Web is the responsibility of the parent/legal guardian.

- Children must be accompanied by a parent or adult guardian who is responsible for the protection and safety of the children.
- Parents and adult caregivers must monitor all activities and behavior of their children while they are in the library and are responsible for any damage to property done by the child.
- Minors, with no university affiliation, must be accompanied by a parent or guardian when using public workstations. Library personnel may request identification to verify the age and university affiliation of any unaccompanied young person.
- If a child is left unattended in the library, a university public safety officer will be called to ensure the safety of the child and to assist in locating a parent or guardian. The local police department will be called to pick up the child, if the parent or caregiver cannot be located