

Teen Room

The Teen Room at the Bloomfield-Eastern Greene County Public Library was created as a space for students in grades 7 – 12. The rules listed below will help ensure that our teens feel welcome and comfortable in their space. Everyone may select books for checkout from the teen collection; however adults and children should use their respective departments for reading, studying, and recreational activities. The computers, games, and seating in the Teen Room are reserved for students in grades 7 – 12. All library policies and user agreements are in effect in the Teen Room.

The most important rule in the Teen Room is to respect each other, library staff, and other patrons through words and actions. Offensive language will not be tolerated. Vandalism, theft, or damage to library property or to library grounds is a legal matter and police will be notified.

By using the computers in the library, you agree that you will only view web pages that are appropriate for a general audience. We ask that you not view web pages (including Myspace profiles, Facebook profiles, music videos, and chat rooms) that display provocative content. If any content is deemed inappropriate by library staff, you will be asked to browse away from that page. A second incident will result in the loss of computer privileges for the day. Continued infractions will lead to loss of computer privileges throughout the library system for an extended period of time.

Appropriate activities in the Teen Room include: social activities (including visiting and playing board games), reading, studying, doing homework, working on school projects, and using computers for recreation, research, and communication. Please protect your own privacy by using safe computer and Internet practices.

The Teen Room should be used only for its intended purposes; therefore, no sleeping, physical contact, rough housing, hitting, chasing, or public displays of affection are permitted. Any behavior considered disruptive or aggressive by the staff may result in the police being notified and further actions being taken.

Violating any of these rules may result in the library staff asking you to leave the library. Repeat incidences may result in the loss of library privileges.

The materials in the Teen Room are intended to appeal to a teen audience. Library staff will not monitor a teen/child's selection. Parents are responsible for deciding which items they feel are appropriate for their children.