

Internet Policy

The G.E. Bleskacek Family Memorial Library makes the internet available to the public to meet the personal, professional, and educational needs of the community.

The library does not monitor and has no control over the information accessed through the internet and cannot be held responsible for its content or accuracy.

Internet resources may only be used for legal purposes by the public and library staff. Examples of illegal or unacceptable uses include, but are not limited to:

- Display of sexually explicit or pornographic materials
- Exposing children to harmful materials as set forth within Sec. 948.11 of the Wisconsin Statutes
- Harassment or privacy violations of other users
- Destruction or damage to library equipment, software, or data
- Unauthorized copying of copyrighted materials (Title 17, U.S. code) All responsibility for any consequences of copyright infringement lies with the user.

The G.E. Bleskacek Family Memorial Library expressly disclaims any liability or responsibility resulting from violations of this policy.

The library does not act in place of the parent and is not responsible for enforcing any restrictions which a parent or guardian may place on a child's use of this resource. Library staff assumes that those under age 18 have parental permission to use library resources, including the Internet. Parents may request that Internet access is blocked.

Failure to comply with this policy or with library staff directions will result in restriction or termination of the user's internet and/or library privileges and may result in prosecution under local, state, or federal laws.

Public Computers

Computers with internet access are available for an hour per day on a first-come, first-served basis.

A MORE library card is needed to access computers. If a registered patron does not have their card with them, the library will accept an alternative form of ID to look up their card number. Visitors may obtain a guest pass with photo ID. Passes will not be issued to anyone under age 16 without parent or guardian permission.

Wireless Internet

The Library strives to provide Internet access via library computers during open hours and through wireless Internet access available outside the library 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Down times may occur and, when possible, will be posted in advance.

Computer Assistance

Library staff may be able to assist users with computers, printers, software, tablets, cell phones and general Internet use, but cannot be expected to know every device and platform. Staff is unable to place online orders, send emails, type or create documents for patrons but may suggest resources or computer classes to help patrons develop digital skills. Patrons who request assistance with their devices hold the Library, the City of Bloomer and their employees harmless for any damage and/or liability. Staff has the right to refuse to assist users with their personal devices. Their reasons may include but are not limited to, available staff time, and the needs of other library users, knowledge of the device, knowledge of the platform or application(s) in question, or the request may otherwise be outside the staff member's comfort zone.

The Library is not responsible for any loss of information or damage that may occur, either directly or indirectly, to any personal equipment or data.

The Library reserves the right to terminate any wireless connection in accordance with federal, state and local laws, regulations and policies.

Patrons using their own devices to access the internet through the library's wireless connection or accessing the internet through any other means are subject to this policy.

The library's wireless network is not secure. Virus, security, and privacy protection are not provided by the library. Responsibility for the safety and security of a user's data files or personal devices rests with the user.