

## **Acceptable Use Policy for on-site Internet use @ The Commack Public Library**

Part of the mission of the Commack Public Library is to provide quality services, resources and lifelong learning opportunities through books and a variety of formats to meet the informational, educational, cultural and recreational needs and interests of its suburban population.

In keeping with its mission and with advances in information technology, the Library provides its users with access to the Internet. The Internet is a global electronic network that provides dynamic resources and facilitates communication, research, and recreation. The Library has no control over the Internet and assumes no responsibility for the content, quality, or accuracy of the information resident on the net. Parents and Guardians should be particularly aware that the Internet provides access to material that some may consider objectionable, inappropriate, or offensive. Library users, whether minors or adults, are the final arbiters in using the Internet and are responsible for their individual choices. However, the freedom does not extend to exposing others to materials which are likely to be offensive. Accordingly, you are prohibited from accessing and viewing pornography and obscene material at the Library's computer workstations.

Parents or guardians of minors must sign a permission form if they wish to allow their children or wards access to the Internet. Minors whose parents are district residents with signatures on file in the Library may take their applications home for signature. Out-of-district minors whose parents or guardians do not have their signatures on file in the Library must bring their parents to the library, or, have the permission notarized.

First-time users must show adult identification for registration and must sign the Acceptable Use Policy. Thereafter, they need only show their ID and have it verified in the Library's Internet computer.

Access is limited to one hour if other district patrons are waiting. Out-of-district patrons may be asked to vacate the workstation within 10 minutes of being notified that a district resident is waiting regardless of the amount of time they have been on the workstation. All users must allow for printing or downloading time in allocating their hour when others are waiting.

Patrons wishing to download information from the Internet may purchase USB Flash Drives from the Library.

### **The printing policy is as follows:**

For Commack Public Library Patrons, the first 20 pages that are printed each day are free. After the twentieth page, there is a charge of 10 cents per printed page. For Non-Patrons, there is a charge of 10 cents per printed page.

The fee for printing must be paid when a staff member releases your copies. If possible, please use exact change. Double-sided copies count as 2 printed pages.

Users must comply with U.S. copyright law and all other applicable laws