

Carnegie-Stout Public Library  
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## **Carnegie-Stout Public Library**

### **PATRON BEHAVIOR POLICY**

The Board of Trustees believes patrons have the right to a safe, secure, and comfortable library environment with unimpeded access to friendly service and materials in good condition.

No person shall engage in any conduct which disturbs or interferes with patrons or employees of the Library.

Campaigning, petitioning, interviewing, survey taking, soliciting, or selling are prohibited unless authorized by the Director.

Patrons are expected to wear appropriate footwear and clothing while in the Library.

Patrons whose bodily hygiene is offensive so as to cause a nuisance to others shall be required to leave the building.

Smoking tobacco or the use of vapor cigarettes is prohibited in the building and on the grounds of the Library.

Patrons should not bring items into the Library larger than a backpack or briefcase and cannot impede passageways physically, or with personal property.

Any patron who causes a disruption in the Library will be asked to leave. Repeated disruptions by the same patron may result in said individual being temporarily or permanently barred from Library property. Library staff has the authority to exclude any disruptive patron and may summon the police if necessary.

Parents are responsible for their children's behavior while on Library property. The inability of the parent to provide immediate assistance, may result in suspension of Library privileges by the child and his or her parent(s) at the discretion of the Library Director.

Animals are not permitted in the Library, except for service animals or for program activities.

Iowa Code § 692A.113 prohibits a sex offender who has been convicted of a sex offense against a minor from being present on the real property of a public library without written permission of the Library Director. Under no circumstance shall permission be given to enter the Children's or Teen Departments of the Library. The Police Department will be notified if any person believed to have been convicted of a sex offense against a minor is on Library property without written permission.



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*Patty Poggemiller President  
Library Board of Trustees*

*By the Library Board of Trustees  
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