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Access to Library Services

03.01.02 Internet Access and Acceptable Use

PCCLD provides free access to the Internet. There is a daily time limit on customers using PCCLD computers. Customers using their own computers or mobile devices may access PCCLD's electronic resources from PCCLD's website remotely or via wireless access points within a PCCLD library without any time limitations.

All customers using PCCLD provided databases and computer software are responsible for adhering to applicable database and software licensing agreements including copying, downloading and viewing restrictions. Customers agree to abide by PCCLD's Acceptable Internet Use Agreement.

PCCLD upholds and affirms the right of adults to have access to constitutionally protected materials. Customers accessing the Internet are responsible for complying with all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations. PCCLD uses internet filtering software on youth accounts (ages 17 and under) to comply with the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) and Colorado Revised Statutes §§24-90-601 through §§24-90-606. Parents/guardians may request that CIPA filtering for their child(ren) be turned off, as described in PCCLD's Acceptable Internet Use Agreement.

Customers using PCCLD public use computers must agree to maintain the integrity of the computers. Unacceptable use includes, but is not limited to, using the Internet for any illegal purpose, transmitting obscene or threatening materials, and using the system in a manner that precludes or hampers its use by others.

See Also: 03.01.02.P1 Acceptable Internet Use Agreement

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03.01.02. P1 Acceptable Internet Use Agreement

Customers logging onto PCCLD provided public library computers or the Internet are required to consent to the Acceptable Internet Use Agreement before using the library's Internet services. Failure to abide by PCCLD's policy and this agreement may result in the loss of Internet privileges.

Customers must have a valid PCCLD library card to use library Internet computers. There is a session time limit of 60 minutes per visit for each customer using the computers. Extensions may be granted based on availability. Guest passes are also made available to library visitors who are unable to establish a library account.

As part of our mission to provide equitable access to information, the Pueblo City-County Library District offers public internet access in accordance with federal and state regulations, including the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) and Colorado Revised Statutes §§ 24-90-601 through 24-90-606. This global electronic network may contain materials which are out-of-date, illegal, controversial or offensive to individuals. PCCLD cannot assure the accuracy or currency of information on the Internet.

Acceptable Internet Use

- Internet access must be used in a manner that respects the rights of others, complies with applicable laws, and upholds the library's values of inclusivity, safety, and intellectual freedom.
- The library employs content management tools to ensure that internet access remains appropriate for a shared public environment. These settings are designed to prevent access to content that may compromise safety, legality, or community standards.
- Patrons are encouraged to exercise caution when sharing personal information online and to avoid activities that may compromise the security of library systems or other users.
- It is the responsibility of the user to respect copyright laws and licensing agreements, and to assume responsibility for payment for any fee-based service.
- Use of library internet services constitutes acceptance of this agreement. Failure to comply may result in suspension of access privileges and/or further action in accordance with library policy.

Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA)

The Library uses age verification to activate filtering software for minors on Internet computers, hotspots and on the wireless network. Filtering prevents access to sites which violate the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) for youth ages 17 and under. The current filter blocks sites featuring (1) pornography, (2) obscene content, and (3) images harmful to minors. It is strongly recommended that parents/guardians supervise their children's Internet sessions and let them know if there are materials which they should not access. Parents should also advise their children of safety and security issues when using the Internet.

Parents/guardians may request that library staff disable CIPA filtering for their child(ren) when using public computers that are not located in designated children's areas of the library Parents/guardians must complete 03.01.02.F2 Internet Consent Form for Minors to request this level of Internet Access. This form can be completed at library service desks. The completed, signed form will be kept on file by the library. The minor's library account will be notated with this permission which will remain active unless revoked by the parent or guardian.

The library supports open inquiry and access to diverse viewpoints while maintaining a safe and respectful environment for all. Questions or concerns about internet settings may be directed to the Associate Director of Public Services.

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