

## **Abington Public Library**

### **Young Adult Internet and Library Owned Computer Tablet Use Policy**

The Abington Public Library endeavors to develop collections, resources and services that meet the informational, educational, cultural and recreational needs of the community. It is within this context that the Abington Public Library offers access to the Internet and the use of computers and tablets.

**The Public Library does not monitor and has no control over the information accessed through the Internet and cannot be held responsible for content or quality. As with other Library materials, restriction of a minor's access to the Internet is the responsibility of the parent or legal guardian, not the Library staff. It is the policy of the Abington Public Library to use filtering software only on the Internet Workstation in Children's Room.**

- Users of the YA Internet workstations and tablets are young adults.
- These resources are available on a first-come first-served basis. Computers may not be reserved in advance. Users agree to limit their time to one hour in one session per day. The library staff will enforce time limits.
- Computer and tablet users must respect the privacy of library patrons around them. Disruptive behavior or behavior which is disturbing to other library patrons will be dealt with according to the Abington Public Library's **Code of Conduct**.
- All of the Library computer terminals and tablets are located in open areas of the building and sites accessed must be limited to those appropriate for viewing in a public space. All computer and tablet privileges will be revoked for those who do not comply.
- Patrons are advised that they have no expectations of privacy in Library computers and tablets and, therefore any information or data stored on Library computers and tablets may be accessed, (see **Abington Public Library Privacy Policy**).
- Any intentional attempt to add or alter files on a Library computer is considered destruction of property and will be subject to prosecution under Massachusetts law (M.G.L. Chapter 266, Sections 99 and 100). Users agree not to tamper with the tablet settings, attempt to load additional apps or attach any equipment not designated for use with the tablets by the library.
- Unauthorized shut down of the computers is prohibited.
- Printing from Internet and computers is 10 cents a page. Payment may be made at the Circulation Desk.
- Computers will automatically shut down starting 15 minutes before the closing of the Library. Tablets will be taken out of use for the day starting 15 minutes before the closing of the Library. Users must be ready to end their session at that time.