

Ohio County Public Library Unattended Child Policy

- All children under the age of 12 should be accompanied by an adult in the library. Children over the age of 12 must display acceptable conduct at all times. Unacceptable conduct will result in one notification to parents/guardians and then, a loss of privileges.
- Parents/guardians do not have to stay with their child but should be in the building.
- Children under the age of 5 should have a parent/guardian in close proximity at all times.
 - A responsible caregiver should be over the age of 15
- Children attending a special program at the library can be left without a caregiver for only the duration of that program.
- Children left unattended for more than 30 minutes will be deemed “at risk” and the proper authorities will be notified.
- Library staff is not responsible for the safety and wellbeing of children while using the library.
- Library staff can in no way be responsible for a child after closing.
- The library cannot be responsible for a child when outside on the grounds of the library.
- Library staff will not transport a child.