

Unattended Children Policy

The Lied Scottsbluff Public Library encourages children and families to use its facility together. To better protect children while using the Library and to provide all customers with a facility that is safe, pleasant and conducive to library use, the following guidelines must be observed:

1. A caregiver over the age of sixteen (16) must accompany every person under the age of eight (8). The caregiver is responsible for the behavior and supervision of children in their care while at the library.
2. The library reserves the right to contact parents, guardians or proper authorities if minors are left unattended and require supervision.
3. Caregivers of children under the age of eight (8) must stay within the line of sight of the children.
4. Parents, guardians, and caregivers should be aware of Library opening and closing times and make suitable arrangements to meet and/or transport their children. In the event that a minor age sixteen (16) or younger is left after library hours and no one can be contacted to provide transportation within fifteen minutes after closing, the staff will call the Scottsbluff Police Department for assistance. Staff will not transport children home or to any other destination under any circumstances. Parents/guardians who are frequently late picking up their children will be given a copy of the policy and a letter stating safety procedures for staff and patrons.