

## Sex Offenders against Minors Policy

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In accordance with Chapter 692A.113 any registered sex offender against minors is not allowed upon or within 300 feet of library property without written permission of the Library Director.

- Request for permission must be made in writing to the library director.
- The Library Director must respond in writing within 14 days of receipt and include instructions on how to appeal the director's decision to the library board of trustees.
- The appeal must also be made in writing and will be discussed as business at the next regular library board meeting.
- Persons barred from library property under the law remain entitled to library service. It is the responsibility of the library user to arrange for a courier to select, check out, and return materials to the library through possession of the library user's card. Persons barred from library property under the law will not be served by the Library's homebound delivery service.
- Persons who qualify for digital library services can access these on his/her own device from anywhere.
- The issuance of a library card to individuals who have been convicted of a sex offense involving a minor does not grant those individuals permission to enter the library or to be present on library property. Individual convicted of a sex offense against a minor must follow proper library procedures and policies to request and obtain written permission to be on library property, regardless of whether or not they possess a valid library card.
- Any suspicious person who appears to be loitering will be reported to the police to be investigated.

Background checks may be performed using the National Sex Offender Registry on all employees, potential employees, and volunteers, including library board members or potential library board members, who are or will be working on library property.

Violations of this policy will be immediately reported to law enforcement.