YCL Internet Access Policy

Yolo County Library offers the Internet to the public in keeping with its mission to provide access for all to books and other media to inform, entertain and inspire.

The library has no control over the information on the Internet, makes no attempt to censor the information, and cannot be held responsible for its content. As is the case with other resources in the library's collection, any restriction of a child's access to the Internet is the responsibility of the parent or guardian.

The County of Yolo is committed to providing an environment free from harassment. Users are not to display on screens and/or printers materials which may be reasonably construed to be obscene or objectionable by community standards.

*For the full Yolo County Internet Access Policy please see staff or visit the Library Policies page at:

yolocountylibrary.org/library-policies

Branch Locations

Arthur F. Turner Community Library
1212 Merkley Ave., West Sacramento, CA 95691
916-375-6465

Clarksburg Branch Library
52915 Netherlands Rd., Clarksburg, CA 95612
916-744-1755

Esparto Regional Library
17065 Yolo Ave., Esparto, CA 95627
530-787-3426

Knights Landing Branch Library
42351 Third St., Knights Landing, CA 95645
530-735-6593

Mary L. Stephens Davis Branch Library
315 E. 14th St., Davis, CA 95616
530-757-5593

South Davis Montgomery Library
1441 Danbury St., Davis, CA 95618
530-759-2100 ext. 8

Winters Community Library
708 Railroad Ave., Winters, CA 95694
530-795-4955

Yolo Branch Library
37750 Sacramento St., Yolo, CA 95697
530-662-2363

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INTERNET SAFETY FOR YOUTH

Are you being safe online?

YOLO COUNTY LIBRARY
We connect people and ideas

Internet Safety Resources

SafeKids.com Kids' Rules for Online Safety
http://www.safekids.com/kids-rules-for-online-safety/

SafeWise Report: How to Protect Your Children Online
https://www.safewise.com/blog/internet-safety-for-kids/

Scholastic's 5 Internet Safety Tips for Tweens and Teens
https://tinyurl.com/y84tgvjc

Common Sense Media
https://www.commonsensemedia.org/privacy-and-internet-safety

KidsHealth Internet Safety
https://kidshealth.org/en/parents/net-safety.html

Microsoft Teen Council for Digital Good Online Safety Tips
https://tinyurl.com/ybqosd7a

Tips for Digital Parenting

Talk with your kids: Keep an open line of communication. Showing a level of trust can go a long way. Discuss rules and expectations for your children's digital behavior. Don't assume your children understand your expectations. Be specific about what is acceptable and what is not. Have them take the Kids' Pledge for Online Safety.

Educate yourself: Find out what games your children play and research them. Visit websites, create accounts, read the parent sections and privacy policy, and talk to your children about the games they play. Look for third-party certifications, such as the kidSAFE+ COPPA Seal to verify that websites are compliant with the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act.

Parental controls: Research each website's or app's options for limiting access for children, including chat features, access to only age-appropriate games, and sharing of personal information.

Set ground rules: Explain to your child what they can and cannot do online (ex. share personal information, chat with strangers) and what the consequences will be if these rules are not followed. Be specific about what will happen (e.g., loss of screen time/device/dessert/money), and follow through if the rules are broken.

Friend and follow: Create accounts for the games your children play and the social media sites they use. Friend and follow them to maintain awareness of their digital presence and behavior.

Explore together: Spend time online with your children to learn about their interests and to share what interests you. This is a great way to keep lines of communication open and model your expectations.

Kids' Pledge for Online Safety

☐ I will not share my password with anyone but my parents.

☐ I will never send my picture(s) to strangers.

☐ I will not give out personal information such as my address, telephone number, parents' work address/telephone number, or the name and location of my school without my parents' permission.

☐ I will never agree to get together with someone I "meet" online without first checking with my parents.

☐ I will not download anything without my parents' permission because it may contain a virus that can harm the computer.

☐ I will not respond to any messages that are mean or in any way make me feel uncomfortable. I will share these messages with my parents.

I agree to the above.

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Child sign here

I will help my child follow this agreement and will allow reasonable use of the Internet as long as these rules and other family rules are followed.

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Adult sign here