

## **UNATTENDED/MISSING CHILD POLICY**

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In order to protect children using the Library and promote child safety, children age nine and under must be accompanied by a parent, guardian or a responsible adult. Parents may not leave their children under age nine at the Library by themselves. Children under this age may get confused and wander away outside the Library. Police may be called for unattended children left in the Library. Also, the Library staff cannot take legal responsibility for an unattended child in case of medical emergencies.

Parents are responsible for the behavior of their children and young adults who may disrupt Library service. (Disruptive young people age nine or older may, if necessary, be asked to leave. Younger children who are disruptive must be dealt with by their parents present at the time.)