

## **CHILDREN and MINORS POLICY 2021**

### **Children**

The Scoville Memorial Library does not accept responsibility in any circumstance for the safety or welfare of children using the library.

Children up to and including the age of twelve must at all times be accompanied by an adult, including at library programs. Adults accompanying children are responsible for the behavior of children in their charge. If it is determined that a child is lost or left unattended, staff on duty will try to find the accompanying adult and may, if needed, call law enforcement authorities. "Unattended" means that the accompanying adult is not in close proximity to the child.

### **Minors**

The Scoville Memorial Library assumes that patrons between the age of twelve and eighteen have the permission of their parent/s or legal guardian/s to use the library's resources, including the Internet.

The Scoville Memorial Library does not restrict access to its resources. Parents and legal guardians are therefore responsible for ensuring that minors in their care use only material which is appropriate, including via the Internet. The home page of the library's web site has areas for children and young adults, which provide content and links to other Internet sites that parents or legal guardians may find appropriate for minors.