

Thornton Public Library / East Hazel Crest PLD

Internet and Public Access Computer Use

Internet

The Thornton Public Library does not monitor nor control information accessed through the Internet and is not responsible for the content of the Internet. Certain information obtained via the Internet may be considered offensive, disturbing, and/or controversial. Access and use of online materials is the responsibility of the user, or the parent/legal guardian in the case of a minor.

Eligibility for Internet and Public Access Computer Privileges

Computer users must have a current, valid Library card issued by the Thornton Library with fines or charges less than \$5, or must be Village of Thornton or Village of East Hazel Crest residents showing valid State of Illinois photo ID. The attached User Agreement form must be filled out as follows:

- Adult (age 18 years and older) must sign the User Agreement form.
- Users ages 13-17 must have a signature by a parent/legal guardian on the User Agreement form.
- Users ages 12 and under must be supervised by a parent/legal guardian.

Use of the Computers

- Users are served on a first-come, first-served basis.
- The initial use is 1 hour. Users may continue their use of the computers if no one is waiting.
- No more than 2 users may work at a computer station.
- Users should consult staff if they need to step away from using the computer for a short time.
- Unruly behavior will result in forfeiture of computer time, and potentially computer use.
- Users will be notified to end their work session 30 minutes prior to the library closing.
- Printing charges are 10¢ per sheet for black printing and 25¢ per sheet for color.
- The Library is not responsible for lost or damaged files.
- Library Staff, while respecting patron rights to privacy, reserves the right to monitor use of the Internet to insure compliance with this policy.

User Agreement

Users agree to:

- observe all copyright laws,
- not to store documents on the computer's hard drive,
- promptly report any problem or malfunction of the computer to the Library Staff,
- pay any damage caused by themselves or by minors for whom they are responsible,
- accept that inappropriate behavior may lead to revoking Internet use and/or legal action,
- not to participate in the transfer of inappropriate or illegal materials through the Thornton Library's Internet connection,
- release the Thornton Library and all other organizations related to the Thornton Library's Internet connection from any liability or damages that may result from my use of the Internet connection,
- accept full responsibility and liability for the results of my actions as well as any consequences concerning my use of the Internet.