

WALTON & TIPTON TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY

Unattended Child Policy

NOTICE TO PARENTS:

Would you leave your child alone in a shopping mall to play or read?

Please remember that the library, although a fun and entertaining place to be, is a busy public facility and all public places may present hazards for unsupervised children. All children under the age of ten (10) years old must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver.

Children are welcome in our library and we are concerned about their safety and welfare. However, parents and caregivers are responsible for monitoring the activities and regulating the behavior of their children while the children are in the library.

If an unattended child is being disruptive, is habitually left unattended for long periods of time, or is deemed to be at risk of coming to harm (as in the case of a child being left unattended when the library is ready to close), an effort will be made to locate the responsible parent, guardian, or caregiver. If necessary, appropriate law enforcement authorities will be notified to take custody of the child.

We respect the privacy of all library patrons and will intervene only when, in the opinion of the library staff, the safety and well-being of a child is threatened.

The Walton & Tipton Township Public Library is open:

Tuesday-Friday	9:00 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.; 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. (winter)
Saturday	10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.; 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. (winter)
Closed Sunday and Monday	

Please call the library for other closings, such as holidays, and emergency closing due to weather.