# UNATTENDED MINORS POLICY

#### **PURPOSE**

The mission of the James and Abigail Campbell Library at the University of Hawai'i - West O'ahu (UHWO) is to provide excellent, user-centered service in meeting the information needs of students, faculty and staff. Our goal is to provide users with access to knowledge and to maintain a comfortable and safe learning environment.

Affiliated users and visitors whose needs for use reflect the educational mission of UHWO are welcome in the Library. This policy was designed to ensure that minors under 14 years of age are monitored by a parent or adult caregiver at all times so that they do not unreasonably interfere with others' ability to use the Library and its facilities.

### **POLICIES AND GUIDELINES**

The following policies and guidelines shall govern the use of the Library for all users:

James and Abigail Campbell Library's Acceptable Use Policy

#### MINORS UNDER 14 YEARS OF AGE

- Must be in the company of a parent or adult caregiver; their activities and behavior must be supervised at all times.
- Must exhibit appropriate library behavior (e.g. silence or quiet talking, reading, studying, etc.)
- Must be supervised while using the Library's unfiltered computers. The Library is not responsible for unfiltered content the minor might find.

## INAPPROPRIATE BEHAVIOR

Any behavior that is inconsistent with the Library's mission to provide a comfortable and safe environment for research and learning is prohibited. Inappropriate behavior includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- Excessive noise (e.g. loud talking or crying)
- Activities such as running, throwing a ball, hide and seek, or horseplay
- Playing card or board games
- Using skateboards, bicycles, roller skates, etc.

- Moving furniture or using it in a manner inconsistent with its purpose
- Defacing Library property

## POLICY VIOLATIONS

If an unaccompanied minor is in the Library, staff will attempt to locate the adult responsible for the minor's care. If the parent or adult caregiver cannot be located, Campus Security will be contacted immediately. Any user failing to exhibit appropriate behavior, including minors under the care of an adult caregiver, will be asked to leave the Library.

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