

Location and Access

The Loft is located on the mezzanine above the Laman Children's Department and was designed specifically for the use by middle and high school students. Usage is dedicated to teens ages 13-18 (high school students to 19 years old will be allowed).

No unaccompanied adults will be granted access to this protected space. Guardians seeking their students may place a call to the Loft at the service desks located in any of the other departments. Guardians may request a tour of the Loft to assure their students' safety at the service desks located in any of the other departments. Patrons outside the ages allowed in The Loft looking for circulating items located in The Loft may make a request for their retrieval at the service desks located in any of the other departments.

Teen Library Cards

Teens using the Loft must obtain a library card, which will be required to access computers, video games, and circulating collections. To get this library card, teens may use their school ID, previous registration information, or follow library policies in place for obtaining a library card.

Should a teen patron misplace their library card, they may be issued up to four (4) replacements per year at no charge. The fifth replacement within a 12-month period may result in a \$4 fee to the patron's account.

Computer and Video Game Use

Teen patrons may access the computers and video games within The Loft only with a valid library card.

Computers are available on a first-come, first-serve basis, and will be limited to 1-hour time limits when the queue is full. When a computer's time limit ends, the patron may request to be placed back in the queue.

Video games and controllers are for in-house use only and must be checked out to a patron's account. Patrons who damage or leave The Loft with these items may be charged a fee for replacement parts and equipment and may lose library privileges in the future, including privileges to use video game equipment.

Patron Behavior

Teen patrons will be held to all library policies, including patron behavior policies.

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