



# Kitsap Regional Library

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## INTERNET AND PUBLIC COMPUTER ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY

Kitsap Regional Library is committed to its role in serving the information and lifelong learning needs of all of the citizens of Kitsap County. Providing access to the Internet enables the Library to greatly expand its information services. Internet access allows the opportunity to integrate electronic resources from information networks around the world with the library's other resources. The library's goal in providing Internet access is to enhance its existing collection in size and depth and, as a public access agency, to give anyone who wishes to use the Internet the chance to do so.

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<sup>1</sup> *Adopted upon second reading by the Kitsap Regional Library Board of Trustees on October 27, 1997. Revision approved by the Kitsap Regional Library Board of Trustees on May 22, 2008(replaced Internet Safety: Acceptable Use Policy).*