UNATTENDED CHILDREN POLICY
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In order to make the Derry Public Library a memorable, enjoyable and safe place for children, the Board of trustees has adopted the following policy:

• The library staff does not assume responsibility for unsupervised children.

• Children under the age of 8 must be accompanied by a parent or responsible caregiver 12 years of age or older while in the library.

• Children 8 years or older are responsible for their own behavior in the library and must follow library rules and regulations. Any child 8 or older who is left unattended must have a contact number for reaching a parent or responsible caregiver.

• If a child's behavior is deemed inappropriate or unduly disruptive, the parent or responsible caregiver will be requested to remove the child from the library.

• If the parent or caregiver cannot be reached, the Library staff will contact the Derry Police Department.

• If a minor has not been picked up at closing, the Library staff will use their discretion as to whether the police should be called to ensure the child's safety.

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THANK YOU for helping us keep your children safe while they enjoy their library visits.