

Earlham Public Library

POLICY: Registered Sex Offenders Against Minors Policy

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The purpose of this policy is to ensure that the library is in compliance with Iowa Code Chapter 692A that excludes registered sex offenders convicted of offenses against minors from public libraries. Sex offenders convicted of a sex offense against a minor shall not be present upon the real property of a public library and they shall not loiter within three hundred feet of the real property boundary of a public library without written permission from the Library Director.

The Library Director may only give written permission as a result of a vote at a meeting of the Board of Trustees at which a quorum is present. The decision can be appealed to the Library Board of Trustees.

Persons barred from library property under the law remain entitled to library service. The issuance of a library card can be made via telephone with the Director to make arrangements for a person of their choosing to select, check out, and return materials using that card. They may use that card to access the library's online materials and databases.

Violations of this policy will be immediately reported to law enforcement and violators will lose all library privileges.