

# **Mamakating Library**

## **UNATTENDED CHILDREN POLICY**

For reasons of safety and the well-being of young children, the following rules will be abided by:

1. Parents\* of children under 18 years of age are responsible for the behavior of their children.
2. Parents are expected to be aware of Library hours of operation and to pick up their children prior to closing.
3. All children 12 years of age and younger must be attended to and supervised by a responsible adult at all times.

Further:

If it is determined that a parent is needed to pick up a child from the Library for any reason, and the parent cannot be reached or located, Library staff may use their discretion to contact emergency medical services, child protection services, or police. A staff member will remain with the child until authorities arrive.

Under no circumstances may a staff member drive a child home from the Library.

\*includes parents, guardians, caregivers

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