



Aurora Public Library

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**UNATTENDED CHILDREN POLICY**

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**1. Purpose:**

Aurora Public Library welcomes children of all ages to use its facilities and services. However, the Library cannot assume responsibility for the safety or supervision of children left unattended. In an effort to ensure their safety and well-being within a public facility and to maintain an atmosphere of appropriate library use, the following policy has been adopted.

**2. Policy**

In accordance with the Ontario Child and Family Services Act, responsibility for the welfare and supervision of children using the Library ultimately rests with the parent or designated caregiver.

The Library wishes to ensure that its services are available to children but also is obligated to take action in cases of unattended children. Therefore, when an unattended child is found in the Library and believed to be at risk, and the parent or caregiver cannot be located, the Building Supervisor will contact York Regional Police Communication Centre at 905 830 0303 extension 7008 and request an officer be dispatched to the library. The Building Supervisor may also contact the York Region Children's Aid Society (CAS) at 1 800 718 3850.

If it is an emergency situation, the Building Supervisor should call 9-1-1.

**Related APL Policies**

1. APL Rules of Conduct

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