Suspension of Privileges for Health Reasons

It is the responsibility of the Cass County Public Library to maintain a healthy and clean environment for all library users and to protect taxpayers’ investment in library collections, equipment, and property. In order to fulfill this responsibility Cass County Public Library may restrict a patron's ability to borrow physical materials and/or visit library facilities when such use may jeopardize the integrity of library facilities and collections, or the health of other patrons.

An example of a situation where borrowing of physical materials may be suspended includes, but is not limited to:

- Evidence that items on loan to a patron may have been returned with insects that are known to be damaging to library materials, or that can result in pest infestations in library facilities, e.g. roaches, silverfish, and some types of beetles.

An example of a situation where access to library facilities may be suspended include, but are not limited to:

- Patrons or patron possessions found to have fleas, lice, or bed bugs.

Any patron who has privileges suspended under the terms of this policy may request to have privileges reinstated when evidence showing that the address in question has been inspected with no sign of infestation or that the residence has been treated. Confirming information may include copies of receipts for treatment, a letter from a licensed pest control company, or a written statement from the owner or property manager of a multi-family residence. In some instances, proof of a change of residential address may also be accepted.

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