Albert Wisner Public Library
Temporary Safety Practices Policy

In order to provide a safe and welcoming environment for everyone during the COVID 19 Pandemic, the Albert Wisner Public Library (AWPL) has adopted this Temporary Safety Practices Policy as an addendum to its existing Behavior Policy.

All AWPL staff members have the authority to enforce these measures. Concerns should be brought to the attention of the Library Director at rcooper@rcls.org or 845-968-1047, ext. 6.

Safety Practices:
Until the AWPL Board of Trustees votes to suspend this temporary policy, the AWPL will require all people on Library premises to abide by the following safety practices:

1. All persons over the age of 2 must wear a face mask which covers the mouth and nose, regardless of vaccination status. This applies to all Library events, whether held indoors or outdoors.
2. Social distancing is encouraged when ever possible.
3. No person should enter the Library building if they have a fever, feel ill or are in contact with someone who is ill.
4. Hand sanitizer will be available and all persons entering the building will be encouraged to use it.
5. All persons should approach public service desks only when directed to come forward.
6. At the discretion of the Library Director, the following services may be limited or restricted:
   - Hours of Operation
   - Building Occupancy
   - Length of Visit
   - Access to public computers and other Library equipment
   - Access to photocopier and faxing services
   - Access to collections
   - Availability of meeting rooms and specific Library spaces
   - Seating
   - Access to Public Restrooms
   - In-person meetings and programs

ADA Compliance:
If compliance with any safety requirement is not possible on the basis of a disability, please contact the Library Director to explore reasonable accommodation.

Failure to Comply:
Any person not abiding by any aspect of this policy may be asked to leave the Library.

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