

Access to Library Materials Policy

The Crystal Lake Public Library respects and affirms the rights of individuals of all ages and physical abilities to access library materials. The sole determination of what library materials and services a person will use rests with the individual. The Library abides by the Americans with Disabilities Act and will endeavor to make reasonable accommodation to provide access to library materials for people with physical impairments.

The Crystal Lake Public Library offers access to materials in a variety of formats, including print, non-print, and electronic, for many different purposes. For maximum access to library materials, customers are encouraged to have their own library cards.

The Crystal Lake Public Library believes that parents or legal guardians are responsible for guiding their children's use of library resources. Parents or legal guardians may choose to monitor or limit their own child's use of the library. Standards applied by a child's parents or legal guardians for that child shall not be imposed on others.

The Crystal Lake Public Library has established policies that foster the widest possible access to the library's materials. The principles of access to library materials are embodied and expressed in the American Library Association's Library Bill of Rights, Freedom to Read, and Freedom to View. The Crystal Lake Public Library has also adopted these principles of access in its Collection Development Policy, Interlibrary Loan Policy and Internet Use Policy.