

## **Colfax Public Library Sex Offenders Policy**

In accordance with Iowa Code Chapter 692A.113, the Board of Trustees prohibits the presence of a sex offender convicted of a sex offense against a minor or a person required to register as a sex offender in another jurisdiction for an offense involving a minor upon public library property or within 300 feet of public library property.

Violations of this policy will be immediately reported to law enforcement.

### **Library Privileges:**

The Library Director may only give written permission to a registered sex offender to come onto the real property of the library or to loiter within 300 feet of the library as the result of a majority vote decision at a meeting of the Board of Trustees with a quorum present.

Persons prohibited from being on library property under the law remain entitled to library services. It is the responsibility of the patron to arrange for a courier to select, check out, and return materials to the library through possession of the patron's card. Persons prohibited from being on library property under the law will not be served by the library's homebound delivery service.

### **Attendance at Open Public Meetings:**

Persons prohibited from being on library property under the law must contact the Library Director by telephone or email to request written permission to attend an open public meeting. Whether or not permission is granted is at the discretion of the Library Director. The Director's decision can be appealed to the Board of Trustees. Written notice requesting an appeal must be sent to the Board of Trustees within seven days of receiving the Library Director's decision. If no appeal is made within this time frame, the individual waives any further right to appeal to the Board of Trustees.

### **Library as a polling location:**

State law provides for an exemption for the purpose of voting. Persons prohibited from being on library property will be allowed on the library property solely for the period of time reasonably necessary to exercise the right to vote in a public election if the library is their designated polling location.

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