

ALPHA PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT POLICIES

Drugs and Drug Paraphernalia Policy

If staff members should find any drugs that appear suspicious (possibly legal or illegal), and/or drug paraphernalia on library property, or if the presence of suspicious or illegal drugs and/or paraphernalia is reported to staff by patrons, staff must not touch either drugs or paraphernalia. Staff needs not put on any specific clothing, gloves, or other protective gear, but should call the police immediately to report findings of suspicious/illegal drugs and/or drug paraphernalia.

The safety of staff and patrons is of utmost importance. All people must stay away from suspected drugs or drug-like materials and paraphernalia, and leave investigation of suspicious materials to the police. The area around which drugs and/or paraphernalia will be secured by any means possible, whether using tape or any other material, or by stationing a staff member at the site to keep both public and other staff members at a distance until the police arrive.

“Library property” refers to the interior and/or grounds surrounding the building.

Adopted by the Alpha Park Public Library District Board of Trustees, June 17, 2019.