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Abington Middle School Parents

Dear Parents,

The Trustees and Staff of the Abington Public Library are looking forward to the beginning of the 2019 – 2020 school year and the opportunity to provide services to you and your child. The Library provides books, media, electronic books and databases which provide resources to fulfill school assignments and recreational reading. **Students age 11 and older may visit the Abington Public Library for short periods of time, unaccompanied by a parent or guardian. Students younger than 11 must be accompanied by a responsible person who is at least 16 years of age.**

We also want to remind parents that the Library is a busy public building. Please remember that while the Abington Middle School is a secure building with controlled access, the Abington Public Library is a very public place with open access. Libraries, by their very nature, are public buildings more similar to shopping malls than schools, in that there are no requirements for adults to provide identification or undergo background safety checks in order to enter the public library. The Abington Public Library cannot assume responsibility for the safety of the individual child.

Adults, teens and children visiting the Abington Public Library are expected to conduct themselves appropriately. Parents with questions about the parameters of appropriate library behavior, or other concerns may contact Library Director Deborah Grimmett at 781-982-2139 or via email at ablib@ocln.org.

With kind regards,

Deborah Grimmett  
Library Director

Henry DiCarlo  
Chair  
Board of Library Trustees