



## **MERIDEN PUBLIC LIBRARY**

### **CELL PHONE USE IN THE LIBRARY**

The use of cell phones in the Library may be disruptive to patrons and staff who expect to find a quiet place to study or work. There are times, however, when cell phone use may be necessary. Therefore, the following guidelines apply to the use of cell phones in the Meriden Public Library:

- Phones must be put on vibrate or silent when in the Library.
- Patrons should refrain from making or taking calls in the quiet study areas, the computer area, and at the public service desks whenever possible.
- Patrons should refrain from making or taking calls during Library programs.
- If making or taking a phone call is necessary, patrons should use the entrance hallways or outside areas of the building whenever possible.
- All necessary calls which are made or taken within the Library should be quiet and brief.
- Library staff may require that patrons engaged in cell phone conversations move to the designated areas.
- Refusal to comply with this policy or its intent may result in expulsion from the Library.

**Adopted by the Meriden Public Library Board of Trustees, September 25, 2023**