## **Shiocton Public Library Food and Drink Policy**

To preserve the library's collection, equipment, and furnishings in order to provide a useful as well as comfortable environment, the following guidelines have been established:

- Food is not permitted anywhere in the library, except in the meeting room.
- Beverages may be consumed in the library in accordance with the following provisions and restrictions:
  - o Alcoholic beverages are not permitted in the library or the meeting room.
  - Beverages must be in a container having a lid or cap designed to minimize spillage. Lidded travel mugs and sports bottles with screw-on or pop-up tops are examples of the preferred types of covered beverage containers for use in the library. Other containers may not meet this standard and could be unacceptable for use in the library. Glass is not an acceptable container.
  - Beverages are not allowed anywhere near the computers or electronic equipment of any kind.
- Library staff will have final approval over any sort of beverage container or food item
  permissible in the library and reserve the right to exclude any container or food item for
  any reason.
- Patrons in violation of this policy will be required to immediately dispose of their food or drink items or to leave the library.
- Empty containers must be disposed of properly, spills cleaned up, and damaged library material brought to a library employee.
- The Shiocton Public Library reserves the right to suspend this policy for special library events.

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