

## **Indiana University South Bend Libraries Unattended Child Policy**

The Indiana University South Bend Libraries (Franklin D. Schurz Library & Dorothy J. Wiekamp Educational Resource Commons) supports research, study, scholarship and creative programs at the university.

While both the libraries are open to the public, children are welcome under the following conditions:

- A parent or adult caregiver (defined as 18 or older) accompanies and directly supervises children under the age of **13** at all times.
- Accompanying adults are responsible for any damage done to property done by children.
- Any person creating a disturbance, regardless of age, may be asked to leave the library. If the person involved is underage, the Indiana University Police Department will be called to take custody of him/her.
- All users, including children are subject to the University's code of conduct and computer user policy. Adults may not use their campus login to provide computer access for a child.
  - *Please note that Internet access at our libraries is unfiltered.*

The safety and security of children are very important and are the responsibility of the parent or adult caregiver. Library staff cannot oversee unescorted or unsupervised children, nor be responsible for their safety.

If an unattended child comes to the attention of Library personnel, or in the event of an emergency situation, he or she will contact the police to report the unattended child and seek assistance.