

Peabody Institute Library Wireless Network Access Policy

The Peabody Institute Library ("Library") offers FREE wireless access (aka "hot spots" and "WiFi") at specific locations in the Main Library for patrons to use with their own personal notebooks, laptops and other mobile devices. These access points are unsecure, and are accessible only during normal Library hours. The Library's Internet Use Policy and Procedures govern the use of our wireless access. Access is limited to authorized areas on the first floor of the Main Library.

Anti-virus and security protection are the responsibility of the patron.

The Library is not responsible for any information (i.e. credit card) that is compromised, or for any damage caused to your hardware or software due to electric surges, security issues or consequences caused by viruses or hacking.

Library staff can provide general information or handouts for connecting your device to the wireless network, but cannot troubleshoot problems related to your wireless device or assist in making changes to your device's network settings and/or hardware configuration. The Library cannot guarantee that your device will work with the Library's wireless access points.

Printing access is not available via the wireless connection. If you need to print, please save your work to a floppy disk or email files to yourself, then login to a wired library workstation and send jobs to the public printer.

As with most public wireless "hot spots," the Library's wireless connection is not secure. Any information being transmitted could potentially be intercepted by another wireless user. Cautious and informed wireless users should not transmit personal information (credit card numbers, passwords and any other sensitive information) while using any wireless "hot spot." Please take appropriate precautions when using this service.

Patrons shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the Library, its officers, employees, and agents against all claims, actions, and judgments based upon or arising out of the patron's use of the Library's wireless connections.

All users must use the Library's wireless access in a legal and responsible manner, consistent with the educational and informational purposes for which it is provided. Violations may result in a loss of access. Unlawful activity will be dealt with in an appropriate manner.

Use of the Library's wireless network is entirely at the risk of the user. The Library disclaims all liability for loss of confidential information or damages resulting from that loss. As approved by the Board of Library Trustees the 3rd day of October, 2005.

Policies are subject to change.