

TRUSTEES' HANDBOOK—POLICIES
BOXFORD TOWN LIBRARY

Policy on Food and Drink in the Library

The Boxford Town Library's food and drink policy seeks to find a balance between the comfort and convenience of library patrons and the need to preserve library's resources and ensure the safety of others. Boxford Library Patrons are allowed to consume food and drink in the library if they adhere to the following guidelines:

- Only resealable, spill-proof beverage containers are allowed.
- Avoid snacks that disturb those around you (i.e. aromatic foods) or could damage library materials.
- No outside delivery of food is permitted.
- Consumption of alcohol or cannabis-based edibles is prohibited.
- Refrain from consuming food while attending a program (unless food is a primary component of the program)
- Consuming food and beverages is not allowed while using the public computers, photocopier, or any media equipment.
- Immediately dispose of any food and drink-related trash appropriately.
- Report any spills that may occur to Library staff immediately.

Users violating this policy will be asked to remove the food and drink from the area. Unattended food and drink openly displayed in public areas may be confiscated and discarded. This policy may be amended to ensure the safety of others and the preservation of the Boxford Town Library collections and resources.