After School Use of the Chesterfield Public Library

The Chesterfield Library staff welcomes children to use the library, and desires to provide a safe and appropriate environment for visitors of all ages. The staff will assist children in the use of the library materials and services. However, the library is not equipped, nor is it the library's role, to provide childcare. The library assumes no responsibility for children left unattended on library premises.

The Library Staff and Trustees have established the following rules for unaccompanied children who use the library:

- 1. Library staff and volunteers do not assume the role of parents. They will only intervene when the child's behavior interferes with the library's services and the safety and comfort of other library users.
- 2. Children are expected to show consideration for others, including using moderate voices and displaying appropriate behavior both inside the library and on the library grounds.
- 3. Unacceptable behavior includes, but is not limited to, disruptive noises, engaging in disruptive activities, physical or verbal abuse and/or threats to others. If a child needs to be addressed for unacceptable behavior more than once, that child may be asked to leave the premises. Children may call a parent and wait inside the entranceway until transportation arrives.
- 4. Backpacks may not be stored in walk areas or anywhere else that impairs access to library materials and work areas.
- 5. Snacks, drinks and other food items may only be eaten in the area near the restrooms, as designated.
- 6. Children may use the public access computers with written parental consent <u>for independent study</u>.
- 7. Please note the hours of operation and plan to pick up your children at least 10 minutes prior to closing. Children need to know how to reach you at all times. At closing time, unattended children will be placed in the care of the Chesterfield Police Department.

The Library may be contacted at 603-363-4621

Library Hours are as follows:

Monday – Thursday 10am – 6pm, Saturday 9am – 12pm

Our goal is to provide your child with a positive library experience. We would appreciate your help and understanding in reaching that goal.

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After School Behavioral Contract of the Chesterfield Public Library		
I have read and understand the above. Please list the child's	name, sign below a	nd return to the Chesterfield Library.
Child's Name:		(Print) Grade:
Child's Signature:		
Parent/Guardian Signature:		Date:
Print Name:	Phone:	Alternate Phone:

Email Address: _