

Food & Drink Guidelines

The Dallas Public Library is committed to providing a comfortable environment for all visitors. Library users may enjoy an occasional snack while protecting our shared resources and maintaining a clean and welcoming space for all Library users. We ask that you act responsibly when consuming food and drink in the Library, be considerate of others near you, and adhere to the following guidelines:

- Non-alcoholic beverages in covered containers are permitted. Lids with straws are ok, but open cans are not allowed.
- Chips, cookies, candy, small fruits/vegetables, and other such non-messy, non-odorous foods are permitted. Odorous or messy items such as hamburgers, French fries, pizza, hot dogs, etc. may be consumed in the designated area in each building. Please ask staff to direct you to this area.
- All areas should be left as clean as they were before use. Trash, recyclables, and uneaten food should be placed in appropriate containers. All spills, crumbs, smears, etc. must be cleaned up by the consumer. Please report accidental spills to the staff as soon as possible.
- Due to the nature of library materials and equipment, food and drink are not allowed in computer areas.

The Library reserves the right to ask any user to remove his/her food and/or beverage from the library if in the judgment of the staff it constitutes a violation these guidelines. We ask that you act responsibly when consuming food and drink in the Library, be considerate of others near you, and dispose of your trash.