

Commercial Uses of the Library Policy

- **Policy Goal:** It is the goal of the Bloomingtondale Public Library through the enactment of this policy to promote an atmosphere that is educational rather than commercial, to promote the safety and security of its patrons, and to prevent commercial exploitation.
- **Definitions:** For purposes of this policy, the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning:
 - A. *The Library* is the Bloomingtondale Public Library and all of its facilities;
 - B. *Commercial Use* is any use of the Library for a profit motivated purpose or by a for-profit organization, including meetings, workshops or seminars on financial, estate or retirement planning, and related topics; any meeting or program by a paid professional (including, but not limited to, physicians, accountants, Ph.D.'s, financial planners and attorneys); and also Commercial Tutoring as defined in this policy.
 - C. *Commercial tutoring* is the use of the Library or its facilities for the purpose of teaching or instruction of a grade school or high school student, or an adult, by a tutor who has been paid for providing such teaching or instruction by a party other than the Library.
 - D. *Library Director* is the Library Director of the Bloomingtondale Public Library; and
 - E. *Library Open Space* is any area of the Library other than those areas specifically designated by the Library as a study room.
- **Policy Statement Regarding Commercial Tutoring:** All commercial uses within the Library or its facilities is strictly prohibited. This policy is enacted in furtherance of the policy goal of the Library stated above. Examples of commercial uses banned by this policy include but are not limited to:
 - A. Commercial use of Library study rooms.
 - B. Commercial use of Library open space.
 - C. The sponsoring of commercial meetings, workshop or seminars at the Library by any person or commercial or for-profit entity.
- **Policy Violation:** Any violation of this policy shall result in the prohibition of the use of the Library and its facilities by all parties involved in the violation, including any organization or businesses which sponsored the commercial use or which employed the tutor involved in the violation. The prohibition shall be for a period of time to be determined by the Library Director. In determining the length of the prohibition, the Library Director shall take into consideration the number of instances in which the same individual or commercial or for-profit entity have violated this policy.