

## **NORTH BRUNSWICK PUBLIC LIBRARY FOOD AND DRINK POLICY**

The North Brunswick Public Library strives to provide a welcoming, comfortable and clean environment for all patrons to enjoy. In accordance with this goal, snacks and drinks are allowed in the library except in designated areas and should be consumed in a responsible and courteous manner. Patrons violating this policy will be asked to remove the food and drink from the area.

- No foods or drinks are allowed in computer areas or on computer tables and stands.
- Nonalcoholic drinks in covered containers are permitted only in some areas of the library. No open containers are allowed.
- Foods are limited to pre-packaged snacks, finger foods, or wrapped items that are odor-free and unlikely to leave stains, such as granola bars, nuts, and pretzels. Hot, smelly, messy, or sticky foods like burgers, fries, and pizza which might disturb others, are not allowed.
- Meals and food delivery are not allowed in public areas except for pre-arranged and approved meetings in public meeting rooms.
- In designated quiet areas, food consumption must be silent.
- Patrons must report spills immediately to staff and discard all trash after eating or drinking.
- Unattended food will be discarded.

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