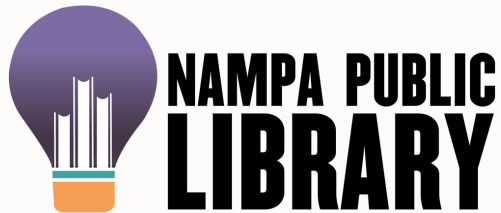


While designated children's sections exist with materials specifically for younger patrons, parents should be aware that children also have access to all materials in the library. Library staff cannot monitor or censor your child's selections. Ultimately, parents are responsible for their child's use of the Library and its materials.

There are several ways you can do this:

- Accompany your child to the library and guide them with their selections.
- Log in to your child's account to see what is checked out.
- Present the child's library card, or your associated card, at a staff information desk for a list of materials currently checked out by your child.
- Use the Ida mobile app to connect all of your family's accounts to easily see what each card has checked out.



## Contact Info

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*The Nampa Public Library is here to support you and your family. We hope that our programs, materials and resources can help you as you educate, guide and inspire your children. While we have many materials available for families, if you are not finding a particular topic or specific item, we encourage you to make purchase suggestions either on our website or at any information desk. We look forward to serving you and your family!*

# Nampa Public Library Parent's Guide

Congratulations on encouraging your child's use of the library! We hope that this will be the beginning of lifelong learning and reading enjoyment for them.

*This guide is intended for parents, guardians and caregivers.*

## Programs & Classes

The Nampa Library has many enriching programs geared toward different ages. You can access program information at [nampalibrary.org/calendar](http://nampalibrary.org/calendar).

Our monthly email newsletter also has program information. To sign up, visit [nampalibrary.org/checkitout](http://nampalibrary.org/checkitout).

## Movies and Video Games

The Nampa Library affirms that it is the parent's right and responsibility to determine which materials are checked out by their children. To assist parents, the Library can set a minor's account to prohibit checking out of movies and video games on their accounts. This option applies to all movies and video games, regardless of ratings.

If movie and video game checkout is enabled, the parent understands that it is their responsibility to either be present when such items are checked out, or to discuss with their children beforehand what they may or may not borrow. Library staff do not assume this role, nor do they evaluate the material any patron is checking out.

All movies in the Children's area are rated G-PG. All video games in the Children's area are rated E-E10+.

Here are two examples of resources for movie reviews for parents:

- Common Sense Media ([commonsensemedia.org](http://commonsensemedia.org))
- Screen It ([screenit.com](http://screenit.com))

## Public Computers

The Nampa Library uses filtering software on the public internet computers. There are varying levels of filtering based on age, with the children's level being the most restrictive.

Patrons are set to the following groups based on age:

- Child: 0-12 years of age
- Teen: 13-17 years of age
- Adult: 18+ years of age

Parents can request a child's card to be set to a specific filtering group or be blocked from accessing the public internet computers.

## IDEA Collection

The Idaho Commission for Libraries (ICfL) has developed IDEA, a curated eBook and eAudiobook collection designed to complement school library collections. Every item added to the IDEA collection undergoes a manual review process by the ICfL to ensure that it is set at the appropriate content access level. Using their library card, patrons of the Nampa Public Library can access the IDEA collection, which is available for all school-aged children from kindergarten to 12th grade. Parents may opt to add only the IDEA collection to the Overdrive 'Libby' app, rather than the full Nampa Overdrive collection. The Nampa Library does not have the ability to change any titles or content of this collection.

## Our Youth Collection

The collection on the first floor of the Nampa Library is entirely devoted to children ages 0-12 and is intended for families and children. Board books begin adjacent to the Storytime area and the collection extends toward the front of the Library through picture books, chapter books, nonfiction and then to Tweens ages 8-12.

Our Teen Loft is on the second floor of the building and contains materials for youth ages 13-17.

## Rules & Guidelines

### LIBRARY USE GUIDELINES

We ask that you maintain supervision over children you bring to the Library. Please help them learn behavior that is appropriate to a public library setting. Please note that children under the age of 8 must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver.

### RESPONSIBILITY FOR CHARGES

Parents are responsible for fees and other charges accrued on their child's card. This includes replacement costs and billing charges for lost materials.