Sensory Room Rules and Guidelines

Purpose

The Sensory Room offers a calm and inclusive space that is designed for, although not limited to, neurodivergent youth and those with sensory sensitivities. The Sensory Room offers soothing, tactile, and interactive equipment that promotes focus, self-regulation, stress relief, and relaxation.

Eligibility

The Sensory Room is intended for use by youth of all abilities. Adults may not use the Sensory Room without the presence of a child in their care.

Rules and Regulations

- 1. All users must comply with the <u>LAPL Rules of Conduct</u> and the Sensory Room policies outlined here. Library staff may deny access to the Sensory Room to any individuals who have failed to follow these policies and guidelines.
- 2. The Library retains the right to monitor all meetings, programs, events, and usage of space to ensure compliance with Library regulations.
- **3.** The Library reserves the right to establish the hours for patron availability, and these hours are subject to change without notice.

Room Usage

- The Sensory Room is for use exclusively by children, teens and their caregivers. Youth must be accompanied at all times. Adults cannot use the room without a child present.
- **2.** Use of the room is limited only to individuals listed at the time of the reservation. No more than 5 individuals are allowed in the room at any one time.
- **3.** The User agrees to clean up after use and to inform a staff member in the case of any issues.
- **4.** Food and drink other than bottled water are not allowed in the Sensory Room at any time.

Room Reservations

- **1.** Sensory Room reservations are limited to 45 minutes per group per day, with a maximum of 2 sessions per week.
- **2.** A valid LAPL Library Card is required for the individual making the reservation and must be presented at the time of reservation.
- **3.** Sensory Room reservations can be made in person or by calling the Branch at 310-534-9520. If there is no scheduled reservation, patrons may reserve the room on a first-come, first-served basis at the Information Desk.
- **4.** Sensory Room hours are subject to change without notice.