



**The Storyville experience** was created to foster early literacy and school readiness skills through interactive discovery and play. This can only happen with your involvement, as you are your children's first teacher. So please take advantage of this opportunity to engage with your children!

BCPL strives to provide a safe, educational, and fun environment for you and your children. Please assist us in this endeavor by cooperating with the following:

**Storyville was designed specifically for children birth to five.** Please make other arrangements for older children. There is a full service children's area in the main part of the library.

**Parental supervision is required.** We provide Storyville staff to guide you and answer questions, but we do not provide supervision of your children. You are responsible for their safety and comfort. Please do not leave your children unattended.

**To promote active engagement, please bring 1 adult for every 3 children.**

**Please help us maintain a clean and sanitary environment, please keep all food and drink out of Storyville.** However, nursing and bottle-feeding infants are permitted,

**For the safety of our littlest visitors, the Baby Garden is reserved for babies who are not yet walking and their caregivers.**

**Please model courteous and attentive behaviors by keeping your cell phones on silent and other electronic devices off.** Save cell phone conversations for the lobby. Laptop use is not permitted.

**Guide your children to choose developmentally appropriate toys and play constructively.** Young children thrive on realistic limit-setting and positive reinforcement.

**Assist your child in putting away materials in one venue before moving on to another.** This teaches your child the importance of clean up, as well as respect for others who will follow them.

**Have fun playing with your children!** Marvel in what your children can do. Follow their lead. Encourage them to take each learning experience farther. These are teachable moments that will last!