Internet Access and Safety Policy and ECF form

The Springfield-Greene County Library District provides internet access as an extension of its commitment to meeting the informational needs of the community. The Library has no control over the information accessed through the internet and cannot be held responsible for its content. The internet is a worldwide community with a highly diverse user population and it is the public's responsibility to use this resource wisely.

Library internet users must respect the rights of others and take care with use of the equipment. Computer and internet settings may not be changed. Computers may not be used for any fraudulent or unlawful purpose, including any activities prohibited under any applicable federal, Missouri, or local laws. Violation of current Missouri law (Missouri Revised Statutes 573.010 and 573.060) and Springfield City Code (Sec. 78-227) in regards to accessing and displaying pornography and/or obscene materials will result in suspension of computer privileges. All computer users must abide by the Library's internet service providers' use agreements.

The Library filters access to pornographic and sexually explicit websites from all computers as required by Missouri Revised Statute 182.827 and the Commission on Child Online Protection. The Library fully complies with the Child Internet Protection Act Pub. L. No. 106-554 and 47 USC 254(h). Filtering software is not guaranteed to protect a child from access to information that a parent/guardian finds inappropriate.

Adults 18 and over may request that filtering be disabled for bona fide research purposes. Library staff will filter, monitor, and/or restrict internet use to protect the integrity of the network.

Any equipment or services provided through the FCC’s Emergency Connectivity Fund require users to declare they do not have access to equipment or services sufficient to access the internet.

The equipment and services funded by the FCC’s Emergency Connectivity Fund (ECF) can only be provided to patrons who declare they do not have access to the equipment or services sufficient to access the internet. By signing this statement I declare I do not have access to such equipment or services.

Printed Name ________________________________
Signature ________________________________ Date _________________