

MAKERSPACE

The mission of the Security Public Library is to meet the evolving educational, cultural, informational, and recreational needs of the public by providing modern library resources and services. The Makerspace extends those commitments into “the world of making” by providing access to a wide variety of equipment and tools during open lab hours, and by offering classes and programs for guided exploration.

BASICS

Use of the equipment and tools in the Makerspace is available at no charge to community members with a valid library card, generally on a first come, first served basis. Specific tools or equipment may be reserved for projects at the discretion of staff.

- During classes or programs, individuals may not use other tools and equipment without prior authorization by staff.
- The Makerspace may be used only for lawful purposes. The public is prohibited from using tools or equipment to create material that is:
 - Prohibited by local, state, or federal law.
 - Unsafe, harmful, dangerous, or poses an immediate threat to the well-being of others.
 - Obscene or otherwise inappropriate for the Library environment.
 - In violation of another’s intellectual property rights.
- The Library reserves the right to halt, delete, or disallow the creation of items that violate Library policies, copyright (Title 17, United States Code) and patent law (Title 35, United States Code).
- The Library is not responsible for any manufacturing defects or the quality of workmanship of any of the tools, materials or equipment supplied by the Library, nor is it responsible for loss or damage to personal property or files.
- The Library reserves the right to disallow project elements and patron-supplied materials or tools from the Makerspace.
- The Library reserves the right to change fees and the cost of materials at any time.

USERS

All Makerspace users must sign a waiver and terms of use agreement document before any Makerspace equipment or resources may be used.

- For Makerspace patrons aged 17 and under, parents must sign a youth waiver.
- Patrons aged 15 and under may use the Makerspace if supervised by an adult certified in the use of any equipment used.
- Children under the age of 2 are not permitted in the Makerspace without supervision.
- The Library reserves the right to deny Makerspace access if a patron violates any part of the Makerspace policy, or for any other misuse of the space, as determined by Library staff.

CERTIFICATION

Patrons must participate in mandatory safety and use trainings in order to use specific tools and machinery. Patrons may not use these tools until certified, as confirmed by Library staff. The user's library card will reflect the type of certification training received.

- When using equipment or a tool that does not require training, the patron agrees that they are capable of using that item in a safe and appropriate manner.

FEES

- Users (or if minors, their parents/guardians) are responsible for loss or damage to Library property, not associated with normal wear and tear, that is the result of inappropriate or unauthorized use of tools, equipment, or consumable materials, or for clean-up of the tools, equipment, or the space. Costs may be charged to a patron's library account. The patron will be unable to use the Makerspace (and possibly their library card) until all fees are paid.

The Library reserves the right to schedule the Makerspace for other uses including community and library meetings when Makerspace activities are not scheduled.
