

## MEDINA COUNTY DISTRICT LIBRARY POLICY MANUAL

Policy No: SS-09	Title: UNATTENDED CHILD		
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Policy Statement:

An unattended child is defined as a minor being in the library without adult supervision and unable to care for his/her self. This includes young children who are without close supervision, even though an adult caregiver may be elsewhere in the building or a child of any age who is left alone and cannot work or play independently.

Medina County District Library staff do not serve *in loco parentis*. The protection, wellbeing, and conduct of children in the library are the responsibility of their adult care givers.

The first priority is the child’s safety and well-being. If the caregiver cannot be located by staff, the supervisor will determine if the police should be contacted.