Brother Edmond Drouin Library
Walsh University
Policy 20 Food and Beverage

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1.0 PURPOSE

To protect library resources, equipment and facility from potential damage caused by careless consumption of food and beverages.

2.0 BEVERAGES

2.1 Beverages in spill resistant containers such as travel mugs, cups with lids, cans or reclosable bottles are permitted.
2.2 Open beverage containers are not permitted.

3.0 FOOD

3.1 Only light, prepackaged snacks that are not disruptive to other patrons and are not destructive to our collection are permitted. Examples include pretzels, granola bars and candy.
3.2 Food that is greasy, messy or aromatic is not permitted anywhere in the library. This food includes, but is not limited to, burgers, pizza, and chicken.

4.0 RESTRICTED AREAS

Food and beverages are not permitted under any circumstance at the computer workstations, in the archives room or near printers, photocopiers and media equipment.

5.0 EXCEPTIONS

5.1 The Tower Room, vending lounge and staff areas are exempt from this policy.
5.2 Other exceptions may be made on a case-by-case basis with the permission of the Library Director.
6.0  CLEAN UP

6.1 All patrons are expected to dispose of all trash and clean up after themselves before exiting the library.
6.2 All food and beverage accidents must be immediately reported to a library staff member so appropriate clean up measures may be taken.

7.0  ENFORCEMENT

7.1 Patrons who violate this policy will be asked to remove the offending food or beverage from the library immediately.
7.2 Failure to comply may result in a library staff member contacting campus police to enforce this policy.

8.0  REVISION HISTORY

Approved, Library Staff, November 10, 2004
Approved, Committee on the Library, November 18, 2004