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#### YOUTH SERVICES - EASTERN SHORE PUBLIC LIBRARY

### Mission:

While supporting our library's overall mission, the Youth Services Department will strive to create an environment that encourages exploration, imagination, and a love of learning in the families we serve.

### Vision:

The Youth Services Department of the Eastern Shore Public Library system shares the vision of our library and seeks to inspire the community's passion for learning and exploration by providing a place for youth and their families to find materials, technology, and programs that support their informational, recreational, and cultural needs. Our materials and programming will inspire a love of reading and learning, support the educational needs of students, promote 21st century and STEM based skills, and reward curiosity and creativity in youth.

# **Core Values:**

The board, staff, and volunteers of the Eastern Shore Public Library believe that all residents of our community should have the opportunity for literacy, lifelong learning, continuing education and personal development. Therefore, we value:

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<b>Diversity</b> – We serve all members of the community equally.
Respect - We serve our patrons with dignity.
Literacy – We foster an appreciation of information and learning.
<b>Partnership</b> – We build collaborative relationships with the community.

Approved by the ESPL Board of Directors on XX/XX/XXXX