1. **Children must be accompanied by a parent or other responsible adult when in the Law Library.**

   • If a child is in the Library without a parent or other responsible adult, call Safety to handle the situation. Do not evict unaccompanied children – Safety will handle contacting a responsible adult to accompany the child to his or her home.

   • If children are noisy or otherwise disruptive, the parent or other adult accompanying the child should be politely asked to quiet the child or leave until the child settles down enough to be in the Library without disturbing library patrons.

2. **The Law Library is not safe for young children in a number of ways, and parents bringing their children into the building should be advised that it is never safe to leave their children unattended in the building, especially along the balconies and on the stairways.**

   • If you notice a child in proximity to a potential danger, feel free to warn the parent or other adult with the child of the need for caution.

   • The following are some, but not all, of the potential hazards of which you should be aware:

     a. The railings along the balconies and stairways of each sub level are not child-proof and a child could slip through. For this reason, parents should hold their children by the hand in these areas and keep them from sitting on the stools at the seats along the balconies.

     b. Children should never be seated or placed on top of the wooden work surfaces along the balconies because they can fall over the edge down to levels below. This has happened in the past.

     c. The copy rooms and the Open Reserves area contain items that could be harmful to children, e.g., paper cutters, staplers, staple removers, white out, and the like. Parents should keep their children from these areas, or keep them from handling such items when in these areas.

     d. Card catalog drawers, books, and book trucks could also injure small children if pulled out too far (card catalog drawers), pulled from shelves or tables (books), mishandled (book trucks). Parents should keep their children from handling library material and equipment.

     e. Electrical cords and outlets are not child-proofed.