

To connect to the Library's wireless network, you will need any standard Network Interface Card (802.11b or 802.11g) connected to your laptop or handheld device. Many new computers (especially those with Windows XP) will access the wireless network automatically. All others will need to change the SSID to "winchester." (Please see the instructions on the next page.)
We regret that our librarians cannot configure your equipment for you.

Wireless access is available on the Library's main and upper floors but signal strength varies within the building. If you find the Internet to be slow or not working from your location in the Library, shut down your laptop and move closer to the center of the building.

When you use the Internet in the Library, you are accepting the Library's Internet Access Policy that is posted in the Reference Room. Please take a moment to read it – in particular "Use of The Internet."

If you use the Minuteman databases, you will be logged in as a "Home Access" user rather than an "In Library" user. In addition, no printing services are available.



The Library takes no responsibility for any damage caused to your laptop or handheld device from configuration changes or software downloaded while accessing the Library's public wireless network. Please update your anti-virus software before connecting to the Internet.

How to connect your laptop to the wireless network

Your wireless device should connect to the network automatically. If you are having a problem:

1. Set your wireless SSID to (all lowercase letters):

winchester

2. Set your TCP/IP settings to:

Obtain an IP address automatically

To check your TCP/IP settings:

1. Click on the Start button.
2. Click on Settings.
3. Click on Control Panel.
4. Click on Network Settings.
5. Right-click on Local Area Connection (if more than one appears, choose the wireless adapter. This can be determined by the device name listed next to each "Local Area Connection.")
6. Click on Properties.
7. Verify that the TCP/IP option is checked.
8. Highlight TCP/IP and click Properties.
9. Verify that Obtain an IP address automatically is selected.
10. Verify that Obtain DNS automatically is selected.
11. Click OK to close the window and to save your changes.
12. Click OK to close the window.