Bulletin Board and Literature Display Policy

The Library maintains bulletin boards and literature display areas for the dissemination of library, community and public service information of an educational and/or cultural interest. The Library will consider materials for posting or distribution that are provided by non-profit organizations, community groups, educational institutions and government agencies. Materials will be posted or distributed on an equitable basis, subject to space limitations, regardless of the beliefs or affiliations of the individuals or groups represented. At the discretion of the Library Director or his/her designee, for-profit business materials may be considered if they inform and benefit the community. The bulletin boards and display areas are not intended to be a forum for public comment, advocacy or advancement of a particular point of view. Materials devoted solely to the sale, advertising, solicitation or promotion of commercial products or services will not be accepted. Petitions will not be accepted.

All notices, posters and literature must be approved by the Library Director or his/her designee before placement on bulletin boards or in display areas. Only library staff is authorized to post or distribute materials. The Library reserves the right to determine the size, number and location of materials as well as the duration of the posting or distribution. Materials approved for posting or distribution will not be returned; materials not approved for placement will be discarded. Materials left without Library authorization will be discarded.

The Library does not assume responsibility for the content of materials posted or displayed. In the event of damage, destruction or theft of any materials posted or displayed, the Library does not assume liability, nor does such posting or display of materials imply endorsement.

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