

Library Display and Bulletin Board Policy

1. Displays
 - 1.1. Exhibits are encouraged from individuals and non-profit groups.
 - 1.2. Exhibits must be informative and of general interest to the public.
 - 1.3. The space may not be used for exhibits which are commercial, promote a specific religious concept, or espouse partisan politics.
 - 1.4. Permission for exhibits and displays may be granted at the discretion of the Library Director.
 - 1.5. The Reuben Hoar Library is not responsible for the contents of a display unless specific approval for the display is obtained from the Board of Trustees.
 - 1.5.1. When specific permission for a display is given by the Board of Trustees, the contents of the display are covered by the Town's Insurance Policy.
 - 1.5.2. The Library will not be responsible for loss that is beyond the coverage provided by this insurance.
 - 1.5.3. A release to this effect will be signed by the person or group exhibiting.
2. Bulletin Board
 - 2.1. All bulletin board notices must be submitted at the Main Desk and will be posted at the discretion of the Library Director or the staff member assigned to the maintenance of the bulletin board.
 - 2.2. Notices of library and town events take precedence over notices from other individuals or organizations
 - 2.3. Non-commercial notices will be posted by the staff. Strictly commercial notices will be put in a notebook for patrons' perusal.
3. Issues Boxes
 - 3.1. Materials on local issues will be placed in the "issues boxes" on the Community Shelf.
4. Decorations
 - 4.1. In accordance with the United States Constitution's guaranteed separation of church and state, the Library maintains a posture of neutrality in matters of religion.
 - 4.2. This neutrality does not prevent or prohibit the Library from recognizing the importance of religion in history, culture and the arts.

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