

# Dixon Public Library District

## POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL

**POLICY TITLE: Core Principles for Provision of Library Service**  
**POLICY NUMBER: 1025**

**1025.1** The core principles which frame, shape and guide the provision of library services for this community are most eloquently expressed in the American Library Association *Library Bill of Rights*, which the Library District hereby adopts as its statement of core principles for provision of library service.

**1025.1.1** All libraries are forums for information and ideas, and the following basic policies should guide their services.

1. Books and other library resources should be provided for the interest, information, and enlightenment of all people of the community the library serves. Materials should not be excluded because of the origin, background, or views of those contributing to their creation.
2. Libraries should provide materials and information presenting all points of view on current and historical issues. Materials should not be proscribed or removed because of partisan or doctrinal disapproval.
3. Libraries should challenge censorship in the fulfillment of their responsibility to provide information and enlightenment.
4. Libraries should cooperate with all persons and groups concerned with resisting abridgment of free expression and free access to ideas.
5. A person's right to use a library should not be denied or abridged because of origin, age, background, or views.
6. Libraries which make exhibit spaces and meeting rooms available to the public they serve should make such facilities available on an equitable basis, regardless of the beliefs or affiliations of individuals or groups requesting their use.

**1025.2** The Library District hereby incorporates, by reference, those additional interpretive statements to the *Library Bill of Rights* which have been adopted by the American Library Association:

- Access for Children and Young Adults to Videotapes and Other Nonprint Materials
- Access to Electronic Information, Services, and Networks
- Access to Library Resources and Services Regardless of Sex, Gender Identity, or Sexual Orientation
- Challenged Materials
- Diversity in Collection Development
- Economic Barriers to Information Access
- Evaluating Library Collections
- Exhibit Spaces and Bulletin Boards

Expurgation of Library Materials  
Free Access to Libraries for Minors  
Labels and Rating Systems  
Library-Initiated Programs as a Resource  
Meeting Rooms  
Privacy  
Restricted Access to Library Materials  
Universal Right to Freedom of Expression

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