Warren-Newport Public Library District
Lake County, Illinois
Board of Trustees

Policy 3001 Access to Materials

The Board of Trustees of the Warren-Newport Public Library District (WNPLD) desires to foster the widest possible access to the materials and services offered by WNPLD and believes that decisions regarding which library materials and services a person of legal age uses rest entirely with that person. It is the responsibility of the parents of a child to guide those decisions for the child, but the standards parents are free to impose on their own children shall not be imposed on other children. These principles are expressed in the American Library Association's Library Bill of Rights and Interpretations, the Freedom to Read Statement, and the Freedom to View Statement.*

Patrons who object to this access policy should request to meet with the Executive Director to discuss the policy and its ramifications. Patrons may also offer feedback directly to the Board by speaking during the Public Comment or Public Forum times of any regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees. Detailed procedures for speaking at Board meetings are addressed in Policy 1055 Public Participation at Library Board Meetings.

EXHIBIT A
American Library Association (ALA) Library Bill of Rights (2019)
https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill

EXHIBIT B
Freedom to Read Statement (2004)
https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/freedomreadstatement

EXHIBIT C

Freedom to View Statement (1990)
https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/freedomviewstatement

INTERPRETATIONS OF THE LIBRARY BILL OF RIGHTS:
https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill/interpretations

- Access to Digital Resources and Services (2025)

https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill/interpretations/digital

- Access to Library Resources and Services for Minors (2025)

https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill/interpretations/minors

- Access to Resources and Services in the School Library (2025)

https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill/interpretations/accessresources

- Censoring by Altering Library Resources (2025)

https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill/interpretations/expurgationlibrary

- Challenged Resources (2025)

https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill/interpretations/challenged-resources

- Diverse and Inclusive Collections (2025)

https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill/interpretations/diversecollections

- Economic Barriers to Library Access (2025)

https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill/interpretations/economicbarriers

- Education and Information Literacy (2025)

https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill/interpretations/education

- Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, and Belonging (2025)

https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill/interpretations/EDI

- Evaluating Library Collections (2019)

https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill/interpretations/evaluatinglibrary

- Exhibits, Displays, and Bulletin Boards (2025)

https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill/interpretations/exhibitsdisplaysbulletinboards

- Intellectual Freedom Principles for Academic Libraries (2025)

https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill/interpretations/intellectual

- Internet Filtering (2025)

https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill/interpretations/internet-filtering

- Labeling and Rating Systems (2025)

Combine previous interpretations “Labeling Systems” and “Rating Systems”
https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill/interpretations/labelingratingsystems

- Library Access and Representation for all Sexes, Gender Identities and Expressions, and Sexual Orientations (2025)

https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill/interpretations/accesslgbt\

- Library-Initiated Programs as a Resource (2025)

https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill/interpretations/programsdisplays

- Meeting Rooms (2025)

https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill/interpretations/meetingrooms

- Minors and Online Activity (2025)
https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill/interpretations/minorsonlineactivity

- Politics in American Libraries (2025)
https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill/interpretations/politics

- Prisoners' Right to Read (2025)
https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill/interpretations/prisonersrightoread

- Privacy (2025)
https://www.ala.org/advocacy/privacy

- Religion in American Libraries (2025)
https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill/interpretations/religion

- Restricted Access to Library Materials (2025)
https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill/interpretations/restrictedaccess

- Services to People with Disabilities (2025)
https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill/interpretations/servicespeopledisabilities

- The Universal Right to Free Expression (2025)
https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill/interpretations/universalright

- User-Generated Content in Library Discovery Layers (2025)
https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill/interpretations/usergenerated

- Visual and Performing Arts in Libraries (2025)
https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill/interpretations/arts

* Visit the WNPL website at Policies - Warren-Newport Public Library to access the exhibits and interpretations.

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