

Warren-Newport Public Library District

Lake County, Illinois

Board of Trustees

Policy 3001

Access to Materials

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*This policy was subject to search and replace terminology changes *only* rather than a full review.

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, its 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.

EXHIBITS

A	ALA Library Bill of Rights (1996)
B	Freedom to Read Statement (2004)
C	Freedom to View Statement (1990)
D	Access for Children and Young Adults to Nonprint Materials (2004) excluding the prohibition in the penultimate paragraph against posting a list of MMPA ratings or ESRB ratings
E	Access to Digital Information, Services, and Networks (2009)
F	Access to Library Resources and Services for Minors (2014)
G	Access to Library Resources and Services Regardless of Sex, Gender Identity, Gender Expression, or Sexual Orientation (2008)
H	Challenged Resources (2014)
I	Diversity in Collection Development (2014)
J	Economic Barriers to Information Access (1993)
K	Evaluating Library Collections (2008)
L	Exhibit Spaces and Bulletin Boards (2014)
M	Expurgation of Library Resources (2014)
N	Labeling and Rating Systems (2014) excluding the last sentence in the penultimate paragraph, "In addition, the inclusion of ratings on bibliographic records in library catalogs is a violation of the <i>Library Bill of Rights</i> ."

O	Library-Initiated Programs as a Resource (2000) excluding the prohibition in the penultimate paragraph against programming for specific age groups
P	Meeting Rooms (1991)
Q	Minors and Internet Activity (2014)
R	Privacy (2014)
S	Restricted Access to Library Materials (2014)
T	Services to Persons with Disabilities (2009)
U	Universal Right to Free Expression (2014)
