

Madawaska Valley Public Library Policy Manual

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Objective

To define the provisions of programs at the Madawaska Valley Public Library (the Library).

Scope

Programming supports the Library's mission to stimulate imagination, creativity and inquiry. Programming provides information, invites public discussion, encourages creativity and social interaction, promotes literacy, reading and a quest for knowledge. Programming promotes the Library's resources and services.

1. Programs are defined as any group activity offered to the Library's clients and the community that staff coordinate, plan and/or present.
2. Library sponsorship of a program does not constitute an endorsement of the content of the program or the views expressed by presenters or participants.
3. The Library will:
 - a) Make available a wide spectrum of opinions and viewpoints
 - b) Select programs based on the interest and needs of the community it serves
 - c) Use programs to promote interest in, and the joy of, reading
 - d) Make programs available free of charge except for fundraising events to benefit the library, or those held off-site where a nominal fee may be charged to offset the related costs
 - e) Limit program attendance based on safe use of space, or when success of a program requires it
 - f) Make programs open to all, based on a first come, first served basis, either with advance registration or at the door
 - g) Not offer programming that is purely commercial
 - h) Regularly evaluate the planning and delivery of programs
 - i) Make available a process for client feedback and expressions of opinions and/or concerns about programs.
 - j) will provide welcoming spaces and library services to Indigenous peoples, and share elements of First Nations culture with non-Indigenous persons.
4. The Library may:
 - a) Offer programs for children, young adults, adults and families
 - b) Participate in cooperative programs with other agencies, organizations, institutions or individuals
 - c) Sponsor programs in the Library or outside the Library's facilities

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- d) Promote programs through brochures, news releases and the Library's web-sites
- e) Allow presenters to display products or books for purchase.

Related Documents:

Policy Number FN-04: Respect and Acknowledgment Declaration