
Board Policy



Programming

Policy Statement

Pierce County Library System offers programs to support, enrich, and collaborate with communities.

Definition

Program: Group activities to further the Library's mission, vision, philosophy, goals and initiatives.

Policy

Programming is offered that furthers the Library's mission, vision, philosophy, goals and initiatives, and that meets the cultural, informational and educational needs and interests of the community.

Among the purposes that programs may fulfill are:

- To provide information,
- To promote social skills and language development,
- To encourage curiosity and creativity,
- To contribute to knowledge of self and the world,
- To draw target audiences into the Library,
- To provide opportunities that allow the library to engage with residents,
- To promote and make accessible the Library's services and resources, and,
- To give residents opportunities for engagement, community involvement, collaboration, and learning.

Programs may be offered in library facilities or offsite.

Access

All programs are open to the public.

Attendance may be limited due to space, or when safety or the success of a program requires it. Limits will be accomplished on a first come, first served basis either with advanced registration or at the door. The Library will not charge admission fees for programs.

Fund Raising

At the discretion of the Executive Director, fund raising to benefit the Library may be permitted.

At the discretion of the Executive Director, sale of books or other materials by authors or performers may be permitted as part of a library program.

Variety of Viewpoints

The Library will strive to include a wide spectrum of opinions and viewpoints in Library-sponsored programs, as well as offer programs that appeal to a range of ages, interests and information needs in order to engage the community.

Library sponsorship of a program does not constitute an endorsement of the content of the program or the views expressed by presenters or participants.

Partners and Community Collaboration

The Library encourages partnerships with non-profit and civic organizations, governments, commercial entities and other groups in order to support and enrich our communities, to reach new audiences and to create opportunities to meet the goals of programming.

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