

## **Keene Public Library Policies**

Bulletin Boards Policy	Adopted: March 22, 2022
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Library Bulletin Boards are not an open public forum. The Library reserves the right to restrict postings, announcements and displays on Library bulletin boards concerning activities in the community and public announcements of general interest to the community that are not in accordance with the following guidelines:

- All postings and materials intended for display must first be submitted to the Library for review and approval. Subject to the availability of space, all items will be posted and displayed, or removed, only by permission of authorized Library staff.
- Items will remain posted at the discretion of the staff, subject to limitations of available space and timeliness of the posting. Expired postings will be removed by Library staff.
- Posters are limited to a maximum size of 14" x 17".
- Advertising by for-profit commercial enterprises or for-profit commercial purposes will not be accepted.
- Postings for non-profit lectures, concerts, or other cultural, or educational events which charge an admissions fee may be accepted.
- Lost and found ads, want ads, and other notices of a "classified" nature will not be accepted.
- Partisan political campaign postings, or materials that solicit a vote for or against, or advocate for or against, a particular candidate, cause, or issue, will not be accepted.
- Materials of a non-partisan nature that educate the public, and notify of the place, date, and time of a scheduled vote, or provide the synopsis of a proposed ballot or warrant article language, are permitted.
- Notices of a non-sectarian event generally open to the public and hosted at congregations and churches may be accepted. Notices of regular religious worship services or sectarian activities will not be accepted.
- Persons are strictly forbidden from soliciting, including distributing literature, circulating or posting petitions, or soliciting funds, in the Library building or on the Library grounds.
- Rejections of materials for posting or display may be appealed to the Library Director. The decision of the Library Director will be final.
- Posting or display of materials does not imply endorsement by the Library, or the accuracy of any matter posted.



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- Postings will not be excluded because of the origin, background or views of those contributing to their creation or participating in the event.
- In the event that a person objects to a Display, that person may submit a completed Request for Reconsideration Form to the Library Director. The Board of Trustees will consider the request and render a decision the next regularly scheduled meeting if the request is received at least four (4) business days prior to that meeting. The patron filing the complaint will receive a written reply within ten (10) days after the decision by the Board of Trustees. The Decision of the Board of Trustees shall be final.