

Intellectual Freedom Policy East Bonner County Free Library District

The library believes that censorship is a purely individual matter. This means that while anyone is free to reject materials that he or she does not approve, he or she cannot restrict the right of access to others.

Although library users are certainly free to agree or disagree with, or discuss library materials, they may not attempt to impose their views on others by requesting that such materials be removed from the library.

Access to library materials will only be limited when the materials are rare, in poor physical condition, or are candidates for theft or mutilation.

Representatives of the library are available to speak to interested individuals or groups about the questions of censorship and the concept of intellectual freedom.

The library adopts as policy the following statements.

- 1) Library Bill Of Rights, The [January 23, 1996]
- 2) Freedom To Read Statement, The [June 30, 2004]
- 3) Free Access to Libraries For Minors [June 30, 2004]
- 4) Access To Electronic Information, Services, And Networks [January 19, 2005]
- 5) Freedom To View Statement [January 10, 1990]
- 6) Access For Children And Young Adults To Nonprint Materials [June 30, 2004]

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