

MNG-14 - Bulletin Boards and Handouts

Supersedes: Last Revision

<u>Policy Statement:</u> As part of its public service and information mission, the Camden County Library System provides public bulletin boards and space for handouts for the purpose of notifying the community of events and services.

SEE ALSO: Related policy MNG-15 Distribution of non-library materials.

Regulations

- Handouts and materials posted on bulletin boards are covered by the American Library Association Bill of Rights, which is endorsed by the Camden County Library System.
- 2. Materials for posting and/or distribution may be accepted from non-profit agencies and organizations, local government, educational institutions, the Friends of the Library and community groups or clubs.
 - 2.1. Preference is given to organizations, publications and events primarily based in or of interest to the Camden County area.
 - 2.2. Items announcing and promoting library programs and services take precedence over other community information.
- 3. Materials for handout or bulletin board display may advocate a position but does not constitute endorsement of the material's content by the Camden County Library System. Materials may not be excluded on the basis of content unless exclusion is necessary to avoid disorder that might impede our service to the public.
- Materials which promote a religious or partisan political point of view will not be accepted. In questionable cases the judgment of the Library Director is final.
- All materials for posting or handout must be submitted for approval and will be posted or displayed by Library Staff subject to limitations of space and timeliness.



- 6. Items provided as handouts or for display on bulletin boards are made available for periods of no longer than four weeks, with the exception of ongoing community programs or series which may be posted as long as space is available.
- 7. Materials from for-profit groups, companies or organizations or for the profit of an individual will not be accepted. **Exception**: Publications produced by for-profit organizations but distributed free of charge, with or without advertising, that contain news and feature articles relevant to the local community.



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