

M.G. Parker Memorial Library

Social Networking Policy

The M.G. Parker Library uses social media to maintain a welcoming online space where the public can learn about, share, and discuss library and town-sponsored events, as well as library and literary-related topics.

“Social media” and “social networking sites” refer to websites that facilitate user participation, networking, and collaboration through the submission of user generated content. For the purpose of this policy, the library defines social media as any online space to which the library posts content, including but not limited to the library website, social networking websites (such as Facebook and Twitter) and media sharing websites (such as Flickr and YouTube).

Many social networking sites allow users of those sites to associate their own “profiles” or virtual presences with the Library’s profile on these sites. As with more traditional resources, the Library does not act in place of or in the absence of a parent and is not responsible for enforcing any restrictions which a parent or guardian may place on a minor’s use of these resources.

The Library respects diverse viewpoints and encourages thoughtful discussion. The Library is not responsible for the content of public comments and has no obligation to remove objectionable comments. The Library reserves the right to remove content that is not topically related to the library or its services. Additionally, the Library reserves the right to remove:

- Content that constitutes or encourages illegal activity.
- Commercial solicitations.
- Profane language.
- Sexual content or links to sexual content.
- Content that violates another party’s intellectual property rights.
- Content that compromises safety or security.
- Content regarding political campaigns and ballot measures.
- Personal attacks, insults, or threatening language.

The Library evaluates information that it posts online, but sharing or linking to content online does not mean that the Library endorses or is affiliated with the content or content creator.

Any staff member may be given the authority to post content to library social media, at the discretion of the Library Director. Library staff should maintain a friendly, professional image on library social media.