

COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT LIBRARY POLICY

POLICY STATEMENT

Kitsap Regional Library strives to develop and maintain an active, frequently used collection of print, digital, and media resources that support the Library's mission.

The purpose of the Kitsap Regional Library collection development policy is to provide a general guide for the selection and maintenance of material collections offered by the library and to emphasize the Library's commitment to intellectual freedom and unrestricted access to information. The policy offers guidance to Library staff and informs the public about general selection principles.

The Library cultivates a collection representing a variety of viewpoints for all ages, backgrounds, and opinions. The existence of a particular viewpoint in the collection is an expression of the Library's commitment to intellectual freedom, not an endorsement of that point of view.

Collection depth is at a general informational level that serves to introduce and define a subject, indicate the varieties of information available and support the diverse needs of our community. The Library will have a limited collection of monographs, reference works, periodicals, and online resources.

Any patron is free to select or reject materials for themselves. It is the responsibility of a parent or guardian to guide the reading, viewing, and listening choices of a minor under their guardianship.