

## LIBRARY MATERIALS

The library belongs to all the people it serves and wishes to encourage their interest in its work. It seeks to maintain a well-balanced collection with up-to-date information which represents all sides of controversial issues. The Library patrons are given the responsibility and free will to interpret as well as choose materials which support their own beliefs and attitudes. The Library affirms the right of adults to choose their own materials and that parents are solely responsible for materials used by their children.

All material selection is based primarily on the following criteria: interest in the community (readership), contemporary significance, permanent value, authorship, literary quality, adaptability to use, illustrations (especially important for children's books), good type, format and price. Professional review sources are among the tools used to define our selection.

All materials suggested for purchase by patrons will be courteously considered and may be purchased, if funds are available, provided they meet the requirements set forth in this policy.

Pickens County residents with active library accounts have the right to submit a request for "Reconsideration of Library Materials" form. The requests for reconsideration will be received by the Library Director. They will be reviewed by the appropriate collection coordinator. Appeal of the coordinator's decision may be made to the Library Director. If not resolved, further appeal may be directed to the Library Board of Trustees.

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