501: Collection Development

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A public library attempts to provide an accessible setting for a variety of materials. Since no individual can buy and store all of the material one may need or want, the community pools its resources to create a public collection for the community's benefit.

A primary goal of the Northbrook Public Library is to develop a collection of excellence. The library strives, within the limitations of budget and space, to provide a wide range of materials which meet the diverse educational, informational, cultural and recreational needs of the community.

Reasonable efforts will be made to build balanced collections without favor given to particular causes or viewpoints. The library supports the American Library Association's Bill of Rights, and its Freedom to Read and Freedom to View statements, which recognize the right of persons to free and convenient access to information and ideas.

The parents or guardians, not the library, are responsible for supervising the use of books and materials by their children. A librarian is available to provide suggestions for caregivers and their children.

A more detailed policy for specific areas of the lib and is available upon request.