Purpose and Selection of Library Materials

The purpose of the Harvey Public Library District Collection development is to meet the informational, educational, cultural, and recreational needs of the communities served, as they become evident, through the variety of materials provided representing diverse points of view.

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The Harvey Public Library District subscribes in principle to the statements of policy on library philosophy as expressed in the American Library Association Library Bill Of Rights, Freedom to Read Statement, and Freedom to View Statement, copies of which are appended to and made part of this policy.

Legally the responsibility of the Board, the authority and responsibility for the selection of library materials is delegated to the Library Director, and under his/her direction, to the professional staff who are qualified for this activity by reason of education, training and experience.

Responsibility for the reading of children and adolescents rests with their parents and legal guardians. Library materials are not marked or identified to show approval or disapproval of contents. No book or other item are sequestered, except for the purpose of protecting it from injury or theft.