



Holderness Free Library

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Holderness Free Library's

Cooperation With Other Libraries Policy

The Board of Trustees and the Library Director will remain alert to opportunities for cooperation with other libraries and library organizations in order to strengthen services and resources available to the community.

Library staff may participate in cooperative activities, including regional library meetings, professional conferences, collaborative initiatives, and other gatherings that promote communication, professional development, and resource sharing.

Library staff may subscribe to and participate in professional communication networks, including listservs, professional forums, collaborative platforms, and other digital communication channels used by the library community, in order to share information and remain informed about developments in the field.

The library may maintain memberships in professional organizations, including but not limited to the New Hampshire Library Association (NHLA), the New England Library Association (NELA), the American Library Association (ALA), and relevant subdivisions or professional groups.

Memberships and professional resources shall be selected by the Library Director based on their relevance to the library's services and professional needs, subject to available budget and oversight by the Board of Trustees.

The library shall include funding in its annual budget, when possible, to support staff participation in professional development opportunities such as conferences, workshops, and cooperative meetings.

The library may participate in cooperative service initiatives such as interlibrary loan networks, shared catalogs, cooperative purchasing arrangements, and other collaborative services that improve access to materials and information for library users.

The library may participate in shared digital resource initiatives, including collaborative electronic collections, digital lending platforms, and cooperative technology projects when these partnerships enhance services for patrons.

The library may collaborate with educational, cultural, and community organizations when such cooperation supports the library's mission and benefits the public.

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