

Social Networking for Abbott Library Sites

Abbott Library, Sunapee, NH

Social software is defined as any website or application which allows users to share information. Social software can include, but is not limited to, blogging, instant messaging, social networking sites, and wikis. The Library staff does not act in place of a parent or guardian and is not responsible for enforcing any restrictions which a parent or guardian may place on a minor's use of this resource.

The Library does not collect, maintain or otherwise use the personal information stored on any third party site in any way other than to communicate with users on that site, unless granted permission by users for Library contact outside the site. Users should be aware that third party websites have their own privacy policies and should proceed accordingly.

Postings which contain anything the Library staff deems inappropriate will be removed and the patron who posted it shall be barred from posting any subsequent messages to Library social networking sites. Such postings may include but are not limited to:

- Obscene or racist content
- Personal attacks, insults, or threatening language
- Potentially libelous statements
- Plagiarized or copy-written material
- Private, personal information published without consent
- Comments unrelated to the content of the forum
- Hyperlinks to material that is not directly related to the discussion
- Political activity

In addition, the Library reserves the right to edit or modify any postings or comments for space or content, while retaining the intent of the original post. The Library shall also be granted the right to reproduce comments, posts, and messages for use in other public venues.

The Library assumes no liability regarding any event or interaction that takes place in any Library-sponsored social networking service, and does not endorse or review content outside the "pages" created by Library staff. Participation in the Library's social networking services implies agreement with all Library policies and the Terms of Service of each individual third-party service.

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