

RECONSIDERATION OF LIBRARY MATERIALS POLICY

The Gloucester Lyceum & Sawyer Free Library, Inc. selects library materials according to our Collection Development Policy. Our goal is to offer a diversity of ideas and opinions in the materials we select. We endorse the principles of intellectual freedom as expressed in the

American Library Association Library Bill of Rights

<http://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill>

as well as its Freedom to Read Statement

<http://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/statementspols/freedomreadstatement>

and its Freedom to View Statement

<http://www.ala.org/vrt/professionalresources/vrtresources/freedomtoview>

Parents or guardians are responsible for their children's reading and their use of the library. The library staff does not act in loco parentis.

The library always welcomes the expression of opinions by our users. We recognize that library users may have differences of opinion about the suitability of certain library materials and may object to some of these materials. In order to voice their opinions users are welcome to fill out a Request for Reconsideration of Library Materials form listing their concerns. This form will be reviewed by the Library Director who will notify the users of his or her decision. All requests for reconsideration will be considered seriously and addressed in writing in a timely manner. The decision can be appealed to the Library Board of Directors. Their decision will be final.

Approved by the Board of Directors: April 7, 2015

