Social Software Policy

Policy

Klamath County Library (KCL) offers blogs, community reviews, patron comments and other social software tools to support the educational, cultural, civic and recreational initiatives of KCL. Library social software tools provide a limited public forum to facilitate the sharing of ideas, opinions and information about library-related subjects and issues.

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Background

Library social software is intended to create a welcoming and inviting online space where library users will find useful and entertaining information relating to the library and can interact with library staff and other library users.

Social software is defined as any web application, site or account offered by KCL that facilitates the sharing of opinions and information about library related materials, subjects and issues. Social software includes such formats as blogs, listservs, websites, social network pages or posts to community reviews and patron ratings of library materials.

Terms of Use

By choosing to comment, users agree to these terms:

Comments are moderated by staff of KCL and/or its member libraries, and KCL reserves the right to not post or to remove comments that are unlawful or off topic as determined in its sole discretion, including but not limited to:

- Plagiarized material
- Copyright violations
- Off-topic comments
- Commercial material/spam
- Duplicated posts from the same individual
- Obscene, hate or racist comments
- Personal comments about individuals, including attacks, insults, or threatening language
- Libelous comments
- Images

Persons who violate these terms may be barred from further postings.

Postings by KCL or member library employees do not necessarily reflect the official position of KCL or its member libraries and are not binding, unless clearly identified as having been approved by the KCL Director. KCL has no affiliation with any advertisements or other material posted by the site owner.

All comments are public records. Commenter's are urged to protect their privacy. Commenter's should not post personally identifying information, including but not limited to: last name, school, age, phone number, address, library card number. KCL recommends use of a generic username that is not personally identifying.