



Freedom to View

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The freedom to view, along with freedom to speak, to hear and to read, is protected by the First amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

Therefore, this library has adopted the following precepts:

1. Censorship of audiovisual materials is not condoned by the Sharon Springs Free Library. However, it is the parents'/guardians' responsibility to monitor materials that their children take from or use in the library.
2. It is in the public interest to provide the broadest possible access to all materials as a means for communication of ideas. Liberty of circulation is essential to ensure the constitutional guarantee of freedom of expression.
3. It is in the public interest to provide for our patrons, materials that represent a diversity of views and expression. Selection of a work does not constitute or imply agreement with or approval of content.
4. It is our professional responsibility to resist prejudging any audiovisual material on the basis of the moral, religious or political beliefs of the producer or filmmaker, or on the basis of controversial content.