



Programming Policy

As part of the mission of the Hiawatha Public Library, programming is a vital library activity that serves the cultural, recreational, and informational needs of the community. Programs serve all ages: adults, children, young adults, and inter-generational groups.

The library is not obligated to represent multiple and/or opposing viewpoints within any one program or series. A program held at the library does not constitute an endorsement of the views expressed by participants and programs must be non-commercial.

Library programs are open to the public. Registration may be required for planning purposes or when space is limited. Programs may be targeted towards a particular audience, such as children, teens or adults and will be advertised as such. Patrons with special accommodation requests are encouraged to reach out to library staff prior to the event so accommodations can be made ahead of time.

There will be no charge to attendees for library programs; however, there may be a fee for supplies to be used during the program, which are kept by the attendees.

Fundraising and sales during events are permitted with prior approval in the following circumstances:

- Fundraising to benefit the library by the Friends of the Hiawatha Public Library or the Library itself.
- For sale of items created by authors and artists responsible for the content of a Library program.

Programs should be under the supervision of the youth services librarian and the adult programming coordinator. Community speakers who have special skills or expertise may be asked to present a program.

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