## **Fondulac District Library Social Media Policy**

Fondulac District utilizes social media tools to provide a limited or designated public forum to facilitate the sharing of ideas, opinions, and information.

Social media may be defined, but not limited to networking sites (Facebook, LinkedIn, etc.), photo/video sharing sites, blogs, self-published online journals, collaborative web-based discussion forums, and forms of online broadcast communications.

Patrons are invited to share opinions about Library-related subjects, resources, and programs.

Comments posted to Library-sponsored social media Web sites are moderated by Library staff. Patrons are expected to follow the basic rules of civility: comments may not be obscene, defamatory, or threatening. The Library reserves the right to monitor content before it is posted on any social media account sponsored by the Library, and to modify or remove any messages or postings that it deems, in its sole discretion, to be abusive, defamatory, in violation of the copyright, trademark right, or other intellectual property right of any third party, or any other state or federal law, or otherwise inappropriate for the service. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Fondulac District Library is not obligated to take any such actions, and will not be responsible or liable for content posted by any subscriber in any forum, message board, or other area within the service.

Submissions containing information and/or images including, but not limited to, the following are against Library rules and will be deleted before posting or removed by Library staff:

- Copyright violations
- Off-topic comments
- Duplicate posts from the same individual
- Commercial material/spam
- Obscenity
- Specific and imminent threats
- Libelous comments
- Personal information

By using this service, patrons agree to abide by the Library Social Media Policy and agree to indemnify Fondulac District Library and its officers and employees, from and against all liabilities, judgments, damages, and costs (including attorney's fees) incurred by any of them which arise out of or are related to posted content. Forums and messaging may not be used for commercial purposes or for organized political activity.

Content and comments posted are not public record nor are they maintained or preserved as such.

If any user does not agree to these terms, he or she is not to use the service, as violation of the terms may lead to legal liability.

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