



Mesa County Libraries (MCL) make limited, designated bulletin board space available to Mesa County non-profit organizations, agencies, and individuals engaged in intellectual, charitable, civic, cultural, educational, or recreational activities in Mesa County. The purpose of the designated public bulletin boards is to promote dated or seasonal information about events and initiatives sponsored by or benefiting these organizations, agencies, and individuals, which in turn serves to benefit the community of Mesa County.

A limited number of bulletin board and distribution areas are available within the library system for the posting and passive distribution of materials from other entities. At each MCL location, the branch or department manager (or designee) may designate specific areas as available for these purposes. A branch or department manager (or designee) must authorize all posting and distribution before it occurs. Authorization will be based upon the provisions of this policy and will not be based upon the viewpoint, beliefs, or affiliations of the posting entity or individual or the viewpoints expressed in the materials. Posting or distribution of any such materials in the library does not indicate MCL endorsement of the ideas, issues, or events promoted by those materials.

Bulletin Board Use

1. MCL bulletin boards for limited public use shall not be used for any of the following: use to support or oppose ballot initiative or candidate for political office, commercial use, or use as a sales gallery.
2. Postings may not exceed 11"x17" in size, and postings that are 8-1/2"x11" are preferred.
3. Space for community postings is provided on a first-come, first-served basis. All postings must be submitted to MCL staff for review.
4. Postings not related to a specific event or series of events may be removed after two weeks to ensure that bulletin board space is available to as many events as possible.
5. Only one posting per group, individual, or event is permitted on any one public bulletin board at any one time (the same posting may appear in more than one MCL location at the same time).
6. All material must include the name and contact information of the organization.
7. MCL assumes no responsibility for the preservation or protection of materials, and materials may be disposed of by library staff as needed.
8. In library branches without separate bulletin boards for community postings, preference is given to MCL displays and exhibits.
9. Postings may not be publicized in a manner that suggests MCL sponsorship, endorsement, or affiliation.

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