

Collections Development

Materials Selection

Authority for selection of materials is delegated by the Board of Trustees to the Library Director pursuant to CRS 24-90-109(1)(I): Implementing the policies adopted by the board of trustees.

The library provides free and open access to its holdings for patrons of all ages. Children are not restricted to particular areas of the library, and staff do not monitor the materials children choose. Responsibility for children's reading, listening, and viewing choices rests entirely with their parents or legal guardians. While people may reject certain materials for themselves and their children, they may not restrict the freedom of others to read, hear, or see those materials.

Selection Criteria

The library's collection is intended to reflect and support our entire community

Selection criteria include:

- Contemporary significance or permanent value
- Popular demand and anticipated interest
- Purpose and quality of the material
- Representation of diverse viewpoints, trends, creators, and/or cultural movements
- Creator's reputation, skill and significance
- Critically reviewed in professional, literary or general periodicals
- Address gaps in subject areas
- Budget and/or space limitations
- Availability elsewhere in the region
- Materials of local and regional interest
- Non-traditional objects for productivity and recreation
- Online resources based on accessibility and availability of library licenses
- Consideration of the increase in demand and need for eBooks and eAudio during public health crises