

GREENVILLE (SC) COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM PUBLIC PROGRAMS POLICY

In order to further the Greenville County Library System's ("Library") mission "to champion literacy, inspire learning and foster community connection," the Library provides a variety of public programs. The Library initiates programs and related exhibits to highlight and promote the services and resources of the Library and to provide general enjoyment and lifelong learning opportunities for the community. In order to expand its role as a community resource, the Library may participate in cooperative or joint programs with outside agencies, organizations, institutions, or individuals. The Library reserves the right to determine the suitability and appropriateness of all program content and presenters for the intended audience.

Youth Services Programs

A variety of Library classes, activities and events are conducted for youth of all ages and their families, especially for the purpose of:

- ❖ promoting reading, cultural awareness, technology skills, appreciation for the arts, and the use of library resources and services;
- ❖ broadening literary and language experience; and/or
- ❖ sharing the heritage of children's literature.

Programs, such as story times, musical and craft programs, and book discussions provide active learning experiences in a social setting with other youth and adults.

Adult Programs

A variety of classes, activities and events are offered for adults of all ages, with priority given to programs that:

- ❖ promote literacy, reading, cultural awareness and appreciation for the arts;
- ❖ enhance use of the Library's various collections; and/or
- ❖ improve research and life skills and the use of technology.

Programs, such as book discussions, lectures, panel discussions, and game-based activities provide opportunities for participants to engage in learning experiences with others.