

John Taggart Hinckley Library, Northwest College

Information Selection Policy

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Hinckley Library is a forum for information and ideas that support the mission, information literacy outcomes, and curricular needs of the library and Northwest College.

- x The library supports Intellectual Freedom and abide by the ALA Library Bill of Rights and the Freedom to Read Statement. The library values balanced, robust, diverse, broad, and timely perspectives and reflection of ideas, information sources, content, stories, and experiences that primarily support the mission and curricular needs of Northwest College and secondarily support the surrounding community by being a well-rounded community college library.
- x The library purchases and provides physical and online access to academic level information that is credible, current (or of a timeless nature) and of high quality for all Northwest College students and employees. Access to the library's physical and online collections are provided to the public when they visit the physical library building or use borrowing services such as interlibrary loan.

Information materials are selected based on:

- x Curricular needs identified through faculty requests, offered courses, and program areas.
- x Findings from regular library inventory processes that identify content to be discarded or replaced with more current content, or fill "gaps" in the collection that support academic or professional development needs.
- x Appropriate format that is based on cost effectiveness and suitability for intended audience
- x Accessibility needs