



Request for Reconsideration Form

Woonsocket residents requesting reconsideration of library materials must complete this Woonsocket Harris Public Library Request for Reconsideration Form in its entirety for each item to be reconsidered. Materials available in the Woonsocket Harris Public Library present a diversity of viewpoints. The Library's Board of Trustees have delegated the responsibility for selection and evaluation of resources to qualified library staff. The library staff selects a wide variety of materials that fulfill the diverse needs and interests of our community. The Library's collection is available to all and upholds the right of the individual to secure these resources even though the content may be controversial or offensive to some. Parents and legal guardians have the responsibility and right to guide the values of their children. The library does not place restrictions on the materials that young patrons can use or check out. Parents and legal guardians may determine that an item is not appropriate for their child, however, this reason alone would not meet criteria for removing an item from the library collection. By registering a child for a library card, parents and legal guardians are responsible for the materials that their children borrow and assume the responsibility of discussing their child's use of library materials directly with the child and at their own discretion. The library respects the role of the parent or legal guardian in that process and does not interfere or restrict access to library materials.

Today's Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Do you represent Yourself An Organization

Name of Organization: _____

Type of Resource for Reconsideration:

Book DVD/CD/Audiobook Magazine Program Display Other

Did you read or listen to the entire work, attend the entire program, or view the entire display?

Yes No If not, what portions did you review? _____

Title: _____

Author/Editor: _____

Publisher: _____

Please describe your concerns with the resource? Why? (Please be specific)

What specific pages, sections, or features illustrate your concerns?

What action are you requesting the Library to consider?

Your Signature: _____

Thank you for your comments. All items must be completed for consideration. The Library Director will review the form within two weeks. Only complete, signed forms will be forwarded to the Library Board of Trustees during the Correspondence and Communication portion of a meeting. All reconsideration forms, with your personal information removed, will be forwarded to the American Library Association's Office of Intellectual Freedom. The Library supports intellectual freedom and endorses the American Library Association Freedom to Read Statement, Freedom to View Statement, the Library Bill of Rights and all relevant interpretations of these documents. The request form in its entirety may be publically available per RIGL 38-2.

This form may be presented to library staff working at a public desk or mailed to:

Woonsocket Harris Public Library
Attn: Library Director
303 Clinton St
Woonsocket, RI 02895

For Staff Use:
Date Received _____
Staff Initials _____