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Current Library Policy on Obscene Items

As of May 21st, 2024, our Library already has a policy in place for items containing what is considered obscene material. This has been in place for a while, and we are very careful about it, especially when it comes to minors.

As to our technology, our computers have a complete filter on them that is strict and does not allow any obscene, or considered obscene, material to be viewed at any time. It is totally not accessible. This part of our policy has been in place for a few years.

As to our written material, we regularly screen our books and magazines for anything that might be considered "obscene" or even suggestive. If a book contains material considered "suggestive" it is never included in any section younger than high school, and is clearly marked by a "spicy" sticker as shown below. We leave the checking out of such books to the discretion of the person requesting them, and when we feel it is appropriate or necessary by age (younger or young highschool age) we ask them to ask their parents. If we feel it is more appropriate for the book, we will place it in the Adult Fiction section instead of the highschool section, and mark it clearly for ease of identification.

We continue to reserve our right as administrators to remove, or add books within the nature of this category, as long as they are clearly marked and put in what we feel is an appropriate age section. We take our job as keepers of information, and also as protectors of children, quite seriously, so please feel free to approach us about this new law that was passed and we are now posting publicly.

Thank you for your patronage of our wonderful Library.

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