

Hedberg Public Library
A303 Web Site Policy
Board Policy
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Audience and Purpose

The target audience of the Hedberg Public Library Web site is library users who are not presently at the library.

The purposes of the Web site are to:

1. Provide information to the public, including
 - a. promotion of library services and events
 - b. access to the library catalogs for adults and children
 - c. general library information, such as hours, fines, how to get a card, etc.
 - d. librarian-selected sites for youth
 - e. access to the library's subscription databases
 - f. original content that relates to the library's mission or local history, such as

book lists or the local history database
 - g. links to selected government sites and sites of local interest
2. Supply customized service, e.g., BookLetters e-mails for specific genres
3. Offer interaction with HPL through such services as "E-mail a Librarian"
4. Make available library services even when the facility is closed
5. Offer interaction among library users.

Web Team

A Web Team comprised of library staff assigned by the library director will manage, evaluate and survey usability and the use of the HPL Web site with input from other library staff as needed.

Web Site Content

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