

## **Social Software**

The Hudson Public Library may sponsor blogs, wikis, photo sharing, video sharing, and other social networking sites or applications to support our mission of meeting the educational, informational, cultural, and recreational needs of our library users. Hudson Public Library sponsored social software tools also provide a limited public forum to facilitate sharing of ideas, opinions, and information about library-related subjects and issues.

When moderation of comments is an available option, comments from the public may be reviewed before publishing in library forums. Hudson Public Library reserves the right to modify or remove any messages or postings that:

- use offensive language or hate speech
- are deemed to be abusive or defamatory
- violate copyright, trademark right, or other intellectual property right of any third party
- are considered to be spam or commercial in nature
- are off topic
- are organized political activity

The Hudson Public Library is not, however, obligated to modify or remove any messages or postings and will not be responsible or liable for content posted by any participant in a Library-sponsored social networking service.

All postings on social networking sites are public record and commenters are urged to protect their privacy and identity.

Use of any Hudson Public Library social networking site constitutes agreement with the terms outlined in this policy.

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