

# **Photograph/Filming Policy**

## **Wabasso Public Library**

### **Purpose**

For publicity purposes, the Wabasso Public Library reserves the right to utilize photographs or videos taken at the Library or at library-sponsored events and utilize them in digital and print media.

### **General**

While the Library strives to protect the privacy of its patrons, it is nonetheless a public space, and all library programs typically occur in a public venue. In this regard, attendees at library programs/events cannot have a reasonable expectation of privacy in regards to the taking of photographs and videos by library staff. Therefore, it is the policy of the Library that all library patrons offer implied consent to being in the content of a photo/video taken at the Library or during library events, unless they specifically inform staff of an objection to such use.

Objections will be respected by Library staff, except in cases where the photograph or video shows more than 4 (four) people. Without objections from a majority of the individuals photographed, group photos/videos do not easily constitute violation of a singular individual's privacy. The Library Director will have the final decision over taking down a photo/video containing 4 (four) or more people in the frame.

In the case of minors, parents and caregivers are encouraged to be proactive in their concerns for their children. Inform Library staff ahead of – or during – events to make your objection known. Do not wait until a photograph or video of a minor under your care appears in printed or online media to inform Library staff of your objection.

No names will be utilized in conjunction with photos or videos without express written consent.

See also the Plum Creek Library System's **Photograph Policy**.

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