

Athol Public Library
Bulletin Boards and Exhibits

The purpose of the public bulletin boards and display space at the Athol Public Library is to make available information regarding cultural, recreational, educational, and human services programs and events in the community which are open to the public at large. The library does not evaluate the beliefs or purposes of the sponsoring organizations, and posting information does not imply endorsement by the library of any group, their ideas, or programs. Due to space constraints, postings are usually limited to programs or events in the North Quabbin area or those sponsored by the Athol Public Library or other libraries.

- 1) All requests for use must be submitted to the librarian on duty and may be subject to approval by the Director and Library Board of Trustees.
- 2) Material will be displayed as space permits in the following order of precedence:
 - Library-related programs and services.
 - Events of community-wide interest in the local area.
 - Non-commercial events of community-wide interest and available to the general public.
 - Items in general support of community service organizations.
 - Fundraising events for community service organizations.
 - In general, announcements of events devoted primarily to profit-making institutions and businesses or politics are not acceptable.
- 3) Size and appearance of material will be taken into consideration.
- 4) The staff member accepting the flyer for posting will stamp it with the date stamp. All flyers will be subject to removal after 30 days or a reasonable amount of time from posting.
- 5) The library reserves the right to reject a flyer if the event is more than one month into the future.
- 6) The Athol Public Library does not endorse the beliefs or viewpoints expressed in displays
- 7) There are two bulletin boards:
 - One, immediately outside the Children's Room entrance, is reserved for Library and official Town of Athol notices.
 - A second, around the corner from the Friends' coffee station is available for local events that meet the criteria outlined above.
- 8) Any outdoor signs or posters will be for advertising library sponsored programs only. Other town related programs will require the permission of the Library Director and / or the Board of Library Trustees.