# Collection Development

DCPL uses a specific set of guidelines when determining what books to add to or remove from our collection. These guidelines form the core of our materials selection policy.

This is the underlying philosophy of our materials selection policy:

"We recognize that our community is made of people of varied backgrounds, interests, religions, ethnic groups, educational levels, and that as far as possible the materials selected should reflect this variety."

Read the full policy here:



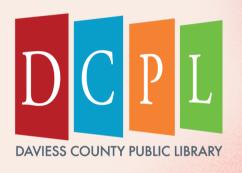
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Finding the Right Books for You and Your Family

"How can I find books that reflect my beliefs and values?"

#### Ask a librarian!

At DCPL, we recognize that every person and every family is unique. Our goal is to help you find books that are right for you and your family. You can visit the library seven days a week to speak with trained, experienced librarians who will be happy to provide guidance and personalized book recommendations!

You can also request book recommendations for ages 0-18 directly from our youth services librarians online:



dcplibrary.org/ ask-a-childrens-librarian "I'm concerned about the content in this book. Where can I go to learn more?"

#### The Power of NoveList

Your DCPL library card gives you access to a wonderful tool called NoveList. With NoveList, you can research any book in our collection and look up professional journal reviews, suggested age ranges, read-alikes, and more.



To access NoveList, you will need the barcode number on the back of your library card and your library PIN. If you don't know your PIN, contact the library.



dcplibrary.org/ online-resources

"What other sources can I use to evaluate books?"

### Common Sense Media

The experts at Common Sense Media provide age-based reviews and ratings of popular books, movies, and video games. Their goal is to empower parents and caregivers with information to make the best choices for their families.



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