

## Social Software

Fern Ridge Library offers social software tools for cultural, educational, and recreational purposes. Social software is defined as any web application, site, or account created and maintained by the Fern Ridge Library District. Social software includes such formats as websites, blogs, listservs, social network pages or posts to community reviews and patron ratings of library materials. These tools provide a limited (or designated) public forum to facilitate the sharing of ideas, opinions, and information about library related subjects and issues. Library social software is intended to create a welcoming and inviting online space where library users will find useful and entertaining information and can interact with library staff and other library users. Comments are moderated by library staff and the library reserves the right to remove comments that are unlawful or off topic.

## Rules for Participation

Protect your privacy. Do not post personally identifying information. Young people under the age of 18, especially, should not post information such as last name, school, age, phone number, or address.

Posts containing the following are against library rules and will be deleted before posting or removed by library staff:

1. Copyright violations
2. Off topic comments
3. Commercial material/spam
4. Duplicated posts from the same individual
5. Obscene posts
6. Specific and imminent threats
7. Libelous comments
8. Images

These rules were adapted from the Social Software Policy for Multnomah county Library Users