

Jefferson County Public Library Library Petitions Policy

Policy Statement

The Jefferson County Public Library has authority to make reasonable rules that are universally applicable and content-neutral regarding the allowed uses of our buildings and property. Public library buildings and grounds are defined as limited public forums. The public sidewalks around our libraries are traditional public forums subject to reasonable time, place and manner restrictions on those wishing to use them for purposes protected by the First Amendment. As such, the Library allows people to circulate petitions outside our facilities.

1. Persons circulating petitions for signatures may stand on Library property, as long as they do not block entrances, exits, or interfere with patrons seeking to use the Library.
2. Persons circulating petitions may not engage in collecting signatures inside the Library building.
3. Soliciting for funds is not allowed on Library property.
4. Questions should be directed to the Director of Administrative Services.