



Marion County Public Library District Board of Trustees

Board of Trustees Application

Thank you for your interest in serving on the Marion County Public Library District Board of Trustees. The Library Board plays a vital role in guiding the library's mission, supporting its growth, and ensuring it remains a welcoming, inclusive, and responsive resource for the entire community.

About the Board of Trustees

The Marion County Public Library District Board of Trustees is a volunteer governing body responsible for setting policy, providing strategic direction, and supporting the long-term sustainability of the library. Board members work collaboratively with the Library Director to ensure that library services, programs, and resources reflect community needs and align with the library's values.

Board members do not manage daily operations. Instead, they focus on governance, advocacy, and stewardship of public resources.

Expectations of Board Members

Trustees are expected to:

- Believe in and actively support the mission, values, and role of public libraries
- Attend regular board meetings and special meetings as needed
- Review policies, budgets, and strategic plans
- Serve as ambassadors for the library within the community
- Advocate for library funding, programs, and services
- Act ethically, responsibly, and in the best interest of the entire Marion County community
- Work collaboratively and respectfully with fellow board members, library staff, and community partners

This is a volunteer position. Trustees may serve up to two (2) four-year terms, in accordance with Kentucky Revised Statutes.

Commitment to Diversity and Inclusion

The Marion County Public Library District values diverse perspectives and lived experiences. We encourage applications from individuals of all backgrounds, including but not limited to differences in age, race, ethnicity, gender identity, ability, socioeconomic status, education, and professional experience. A diverse board strengthens decision-making and helps ensure the library serves the entire community equitably.

Applicant Information

Name:

Address:

Phone Number:

Email Address:

Occupation / Area of Experience:

Qualifying Questions

Please respond to the following questions. Your answers may be brief but should reflect your interest and perspective.

1. What interests you in serving on the Marion County Public Library District Board of Trustees?
2. How do you believe public libraries contribute to a strong and healthy community?
3. Describe any previous experience you have with boards, committees, volunteer organizations, or community service (if applicable).
4. What skills, perspectives, or lived experiences would you bring to the Library Board?
5. How would you help support and promote library programs, services, and growth within Marion County?

Acknowledgment

By submitting this application, I understand that:

- This is a volunteer position

- Trustees may serve up to two four-year terms
- Board appointments are made in accordance with applicable laws and procedures

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please return completed applications to Jamie Collins, Director via email at directormcpl@marioncopublic.org by February 14, 2026.

We appreciate your interest in supporting your public library and your community.