

Kitchen Table Policy

Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to set criteria for the use of the Kitchen Table at the Bozeman Public Library. The Kitchen Table is a dedicated demonstration kitchen for educational purposes. The purpose of the Kitchen Table is to offer a variety of classes related to cooking, nutrition, and culinary arts. The Kitchen Table aims to enhance community knowledge, promote healthy eating, and support local culinary initiatives.

Mission: The Bozeman Public Library creates opportunities that inspire curiosity, exploration, and connection.

Vision: Bozeman Public Library is the community cultural center that connects all Bozeman citizens to their neighbors and the world.

Kitchen Table Policies

Use of Kitchen

- The Kitchen Table is exclusively for Library-organized and Library partner programs.
- Personal, individual, or organizational use by patrons is not permitted.

Class Registration and Scheduling

- Classes may require registration and can be registered for in advance on the Library website. Not all class demonstrations may require pre-registration.
- Registration is on a first come-first served basis. Same-day registration is permitted so long as maximum capacity for that particular class is not reached.
- Class schedules, including ingredients, will be posted on the Library's website.
- Participants should cancel their pre-registration as early as possible so that waitlisted patrons have an opportunity to attend classes.

Health and Safety

- All Gallatin City-County Health Department guidelines must be followed.

- Attendees must comply with all health and safety guidelines provided by the class instructor.
- Ingredients will be posted to the Library website in advance. It is the responsibility of the patron to be aware of personal allergens.

Kitchen Equipment and Supplies

- The kitchen is equipped with necessary cooking tools and appliances for class use.
- Ingredients for classes will be provided.

Food Handling Standards

- Strict adherence to food safety and hygiene practices is required.
- Participants must wash hands before, during, and after cooking activities in the designated handwashing sink.

Conduct in Kitchen

- Respectful and cooperative behavior is required at all times.
- Any misuse of kitchen facilities or equipment should be reported to the class instructor or Library staff.
- All Bozeman Public Library policies must be followed including the [Behavior Policy](#).
- Participants may need to sign a Kitchen Table waiver if using kitchen utensils and appliances.

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