

*Mt. Lebanon Public Library Policy No. 17*

*Memberships*

**MT. LEBANON PUBLIC LIBRARY**

<b>POLICY NUMBER:</b>	17
<b>TITLE:</b>	Memberships
<b>DATE ISSUED:</b>	November 18, 2025
<b>REPLACES:</b>	Previous policy no. 17, issued May 17, 2001; August 8, 1991
<b>PURPOSE:</b>	To set forth the memberships the Library shall maintain in library-related organizations and to list the approved organizations.

**STATEMENT OF POLICY:**

The Library recognizes that library advocacy, support, and professional organizations help the Library staff provide better service to the community. To demonstrate its support of these organizations the Library will pay the membership fee or meet other membership requirements necessary to belong as an institutional member to the following organizations:

<b><u>Acronym</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>
<b>ACLA</b>	Allegheny County Library Association
<b>ALA</b>	American Library Association
<b>EiNetwork</b>	Electronic Information Network
<b>PaLA</b>	Pennsylvania Library Association

Additionally, individual memberships will be paid for the Library Director, and for Library employees and board members at the discretion of the Director, for the following organizations:

<b>ALA</b>	American Library Association
<b>PaLA</b>	Pennsylvania Library Association

Active participation by the Library Board and staff in these organizations, including attendance at conferences and meetings, is encouraged. Expenses for travel, meals, lodging, and registration will be paid by the Library within the limits of the budget.