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Seward County, Kansas External Social Media Policy

Seward County's practice of communicating on external social media channels is provided as a public service. For the purposes of this policy, social media means any facility for online publication and commentary, including without limitation social networking sites such as Facebook and Twitter.

Seward County may update this policy at any time without notice. Any modification is effective at the time it is posted, unless stated otherwise. Use of a Seward County social media site after the policy is modified signifies acceptance of the modification.

Seward County does not guarantee that comments posted after business hours will be viewed before the next business day. Communications made on a Seward County social media site shall in no way constitute a legal communication or notice. Users should call the appropriate county department to report an emergency, make an open records request, etc.

Seward County does not assume liability for inaccuracies and disclaims liability for ads, videos, promoted content or comments accessible from any external web page. The responsibility of external content or comments rests with the organizations or individuals providing them. Any inclusion of external content or comments on the Seward County's external social media accounts (and affiliated department or program accounts) does not imply endorsement by Seward County.

Seward County's social media accounts are subject to the Kansas Open Records Act. Users posting to a Seward County social media site give the County the express right to reproduce, use, and distribute the content of their post.

Social media commenting notice

We encourage public engagement via comments, concerns, and questions regarding any of the topics on the Seward County's social media accounts. Please note that this is a moderated online discussion site and not a public forum. While we respect that our residents will have differing opinions on any given topic, posts will be removed at the sole discretion of the County if they:

- Contain nudity/pornography, adult and/or vulgar or hate language, tobacco, alcohol or similar information
- Personal attacks of any kind
- Activities restricted to adults
- Hostility or violence



- Comments that target or disparage any ethnic, racial or religious groups
- Spam or links to other sites
- Sexual, obscene, indecent, or explicit messages, sexual overtone or innuendo
- Products or services with sexual overtones such as massage parlors, escort services, or establishments featuring for show or sale X-rated or pornographic movies, materials or performances
- False, misleading or deceptive sponsorships/advertisements
- Language or information that is obscene, foul, vulgar, scurrilous or scatological
- Information harmful to children or is of a nature to frighten children, either emotionally or physically
- Cruelty to animals
- Online casino gaming, gambling or betting
- Information affiliated with or promoting political campaigns or candidates
- Solicitations for donations, except for official County-sponsored activities
- Promotion or endorsements of specific brand name products or services for advertising or marketing purposes
- Content that is clearly off topic
- Advocacy of illegal activity
- Information that may compromise the safety, security or proceedings of public systems or any criminal or civil investigations

All links posted as comments on Seward County posts will be reviewed and may be deleted at any time.

Seward County reserves the right to block comments from site users who violate the above rules. You must also comply with all terms of use established by the service providers themselves.

Please note that the comments expressed on this site do not reflect the opinions and position of the Seward County government or its officers and employees.

Repeated violations of the Seward County comment policy may cause the author to be blocked from the Seward County social media accounts.

We understand that social media is a 24/7 medium; however, our moderation capabilities are not. We may not see every inappropriate comment right away, and we are trusting in the maturity of our community to ignore personal attacks and negative speech or respond politely.

If you have any questions or would like to report a comment in violation, please contact us at Seward County or call (620)626-3212 and ask to speak with April Warden, County Administrator.