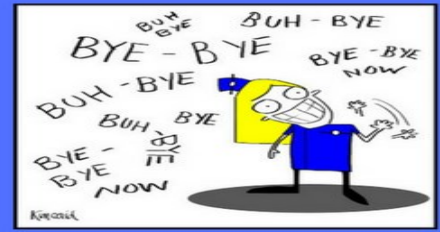


# WE ARE DITCHING DEWEY!

The non-fiction stacks on the second floor are about to become a lot more user friendly and a lot more colorful!



## WHAT DOES THIS EVEN MEAN?

We are moving to a new system that does not utilize decimals and keeps books together by category rather than placing them in 3 or 4 places within the collection.



## WHY ARE WE DOING THIS?

- \* Empower our patrons to confidently search collections- feeling like they cannot manage the library without a staff member makes many people hesitant to visit
- \* Highlight categories within the collection
- \* Increase clicks with easier browseability and more displays

## ARE WE THE FIRST?

A few dozen libraries across the country and Canada have very publicly ditched Dewey.

There is no uniform system (yet), but the one I have developed accounts for future growth and for easy changes.

The system uses 3 different ways to find the same book, so there is something there for every patron to make them comfortable browsing.

## WHERE WE ARE

Right now, we are pre-labeling and staging all of the books so that when we relabel them, we know the flow will work and the sections will be as accessible as possible.



## NEXT STEPS

1. Patron campaign: We will start introducing the move through signage, the website, and interactive questions to help them feel a part of the process
2. We will continue pre-labeling the books until we make it through the dept.
3. Then it is on to the final move



## THE BIG MOVE

Once the pre-labeling is done, we are officially ready for the move!

1. The goal is to have the move go as smoothly as possible and to have the section switched from Dewey to the new system in just a few weeks.
2. In the meantime, books will be listed in the computer the way they are tagged (books with a Dewey tag will have a Dewey call # & vice versa.

## AND ONE MORE THING...

