**​CIVILITY PLEDGE**

In order to create communities where everyone is treated with civility and respect, each of us affirms that we will:

1. Value honesty and good will while striving to solve problems.  
 2. Attempt genuinely to understand the point of view of others.  
 3. Model civil behavior and language, online as well as in public, by:

* Being kind while maintaining the right to vigorously disagree.
* Acting respectfully toward others, including opponents.
* Listening carefully to those who disagree with us, as well as to supporters.
* Making only accurate statements when defending a position.
* Refraining from demonizing adversaries.

4. Encourage others to practice these civil behaviors.   
5. Challenge disrespectful behavior, courteously.  
6. Renew our efforts, if we fail, and forgive others, if they fail.

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Would you like to receive more information on Civility activities in the Walla Walla area?

Yes:\_\_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

To open and continue important dialogues with those with whom we have disagreements or differing perspectives, there are a variety of tools to help us be good listeners, as well as speakers. In modeling and advocating for civil behavior, thoughtful preparation is important, and can be enhanced by participation in trainings such as the Bridging Our Differences workshops put on by the Washington organization Civility First. More information on Civility training and actions can be found at [www.civilityfirst.org](http://www.civilityfirst.org), and at the Civility Project booth at the Juneteenth Festival in Pioneer Park on Sunday, June 19.

If you are interested in participating in a training or in taking part in a civility project in the Walla Walla area, please email civilityww@gmail.com, or call 509-522-0399.

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