



America 250-Ohio Social Media Community Engagement Guidelines

Welcome to our community! Our channels exist to celebrate America's 250th anniversary and all of the events and activities across Ohio where Ohioans can learn about our shared history and connect with fellow Ohioans to mark this once-in-a-generation occasion. We love hearing from Ohioans from all 88 counties who are curious and enthusiastic to learn about and share Ohio's major role in shaping our country's history. These guidelines explain how we keep this a welcoming, respectful space for the whole community.

What we're hoping to see: We want our pages to feel like Ohio itself: friendly, open, and genuinely glad you're here. We encourage you to share your experiences and photos, ask questions, recommend your favorite spots, tag the people you travel and celebrate with, and engage thoughtfully with other members of the community. Disagreement is welcome when it's respectful — the best conversations make room for different perspectives.

What isn't welcome here: To keep this space positive for everyone, we ask that comments and posts avoid the following. We may hide or remove content (and in some cases restrict or block accounts) when it includes:

- **Harassment or personal attacks** directed at other community members, our team, our partners, or any individual.
- **Hate speech or discrimination**, including content that demeans people based on race, ethnicity, national origin, religion, gender, sexual orientation, disability, age, or any other protected characteristic.
- **False, misleading, or unverified claims**, including misinformation about our organization, our team members, our partners, or the attractions, destinations or activities we promote.
- **Threats, intimidation, or content that encourages harm** toward any person or group.
- **Profanity, obscenity, or sexually explicit content.**
- **Spam, solicitation, or repetitive posting**, including unsolicited promotions, scams, or links to unrelated content.
- **Impersonation** of our organization, our staff, or any other individual or entity.
- **Off-topic content** that disrupts the conversation or has no connection to our community and its purpose.

- **Content that violates the platform's own terms of service** or any applicable law.

How we moderate: We review the comments and content on our channels and apply these guidelines consistently to everyone. Depending on the situation, we may hide or remove individual comments, decline to engage with content that violates these guidelines, or, in cases of repeated or serious violations, restrict, mute, or block an account from our pages.

We generally don't remove comments simply because they're critical or express a viewpoint we disagree with. Our focus is on *conduct*: content is addressed when it crosses the lines above, regardless of the opinion behind it. Moderation decisions are made at our discretion, and we may take action without prior notice when content clearly violates these guidelines.

A note on the views shared here: Comments and opinions posted by community members are their own and don't reflect the views or positions of America 250-Ohio. The presence of a comment on our channels is not an endorsement of it.

Questions or concerns: If you have a question about these guidelines or would like to reach us directly, please contact us at am250ohiocommission@ohiohistory.org rather than through public comments. We're always happy to help.

We may update these guidelines from time to time. Last updated June 2026.