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"Effective strategies in reading education of students"



## JELGAVA TECHNICAL SCHOOL LIBRARY DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY



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## Evaluation of the previous period



Since the relocation of Jelgava Technical School to new, modern premises after renovation, the interest in the library has grown many times. The comfortable working environment, availability of the book collection, responsiveness and knowledge of the staff have changed the attitude towards the culture at the Jelgava Technical School. The use of the

collection has also grown significantly, which can be explained not only by the increase in the number of readers, but also by the well-equipped reading room, where space is found not only for leisure and reading, but also for computers to study and read e-books. The library staff has done valuable work, inhabiting and revitalizing the new library, creating a positive visiting experience and a desire to return.



The library has a well-established tradition of holding regular art exhibitions, where readers can get acquainted with well-known artists, as well as new acquisitions of the book collection. There is also a wide range of services available, such as periodicals, their archive, references and consultations, printing, binding, and the possibility to read e-books.

## Library intentions for future

The new intentions of the Jelgava Technical School Library are based on the improvement of achievements and the creation of new strategies based on five pillars:

- 1) Library collection in the digital age;
- 2) Library as an environment open to growth and strengthening of reading skills;
- 3) Library collection as a unique and irreplaceable research resource;
- 4) Creating cultural experience in the library;
- 5) Library as a support for the development of the Jelgava Technical School.

## **Tasks of the library to improve its operation**

In order to improve the operation of the library and create more and more new ideas for development, the following tasks have been set in the library of Jelgava Technical School:

- 1) To evaluate the compliance of the books of the study fund with the new study tendencies, moral and physical wear and tear;
- 2) To creatively seek to make books even more accessible, thus supporting the needs and demand of readers;
- 3) To establish cooperation with experts of professional subjects in order to ensure high quality of the content of the collection;
- 4) To establish cooperation and coordinate the collection with other libraries of vocational schools;
- 5) Recognizing the role of reading in the development of human intellectual abilities, imagination and language, to maintain and promote literacy and a culture of reading, especially among young people;
- 6) Continue to introduce games that help unleash thinking and build reading skills;
- 7) Analyze the needs of readers to work more precisely with target audiences, develop collections, services and the environment for research.
- 8) Use the opportunity to participate in projects to increase the competence of librarians and gain material support for the purchase of books;
- 9) Invite the authors of the new books to literary afternoons, thus encouraging young people to read and understand the world independently.

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