



St. Philip's College

Learning Resource Center

Mission Statement

The Learning Resource Center's mission reflects the mission and goals of the college as a whole. That mission includes providing a quality educational environment which stimulates leadership, personal growth, and a lifelong appreciation for learning while focusing on the importance of being responsible to a population rich in its ethnic, cultural and socioeconomic diversity.

Within this context, the Learning Resource Center's mission is to provide print and non-print materials to support the educational, cultural and recreational pursuits of (listed in priority order) the students, faculty and staff of the college, the district, their immediate families and members of the surrounding east-side community.

The continuing goals to support the mission of the Learning Resource Center are to:

Ensure that the Learning Resource Center's resources and services are available to all enrolled students and faculty members wherever the programs or courses are located and however they are delivered.

Consult and actively work with faculty and other users to develop and maintain a print and non-print collection in a wide spectrum of formats, including electronic access resources, document delivery and other library services available at both on and off campus sites.

Train students to become independent, lifelong learners by providing information literacy instruction in a wide variety of methods of delivery.

Ensure an adequate number of professionally-trained staff and a sufficient quantity of state-of-the-art technology in electronic media and other essential equipment necessary to support library instruction, classroom instruction, college and district-wide media production needs and student use of the LRC resources both on and off campus.

Develop and maintain active public relations, historical services and teleconference programs to meet the information, historical and cultural need of the college and the east-side community.

Participate in resource sharing and cooperative collection development with other ACCD libraries, CORAL (Council of Research and Academic Libraries) and TexShare.

Encourage and promote faculty and staff personal and professional development through self-assessment activities, participation in wellness activities, attendance at workshops/seminars, membership and participation in professional organizations, and enrollment in academic courses.

Actively support college-wide activities in seeking alternative sources of funding to augment college budgets by maintaining up-to-date resources on available grants and procedures for obtaining them, and by submitting grant proposals for library funding.