

ST. JOHNS RIVER COMMUNITY COLLEGE LIBRARIES STATEMENT OF MISSION

The mission of the B.C. Pearce Learning Resources Center, the Orange Park Campus Library and the St. Augustine Campus Library is to provide quality services and resources which support the academic programs of St. Johns River Community College and meet the informational, educational, cultural and lifelong learning needs of the college community.

The college community we are dedicated to serving includes:

- Students taking classes on campus or remotely who, upon graduation from SJRCC, intend to transfer to an upper division college or university.
- Students in business and technical programs taking classes on campus or remotely who, upon graduation, intend to seek immediate employment in a vocational field.
- Students in the Florida School of the Arts who, upon graduation, will pursue more advanced studies or enter professions in the arts.
- Persons pursuing lifelong learning goals through continuing education courses, general education courses or vocational studies by taking classes on campus or remotely.
- Faculty members and administrators who need to keep abreast of developments in their field.
- Members of the community seeking information.

In order to accomplish our mission of providing quality services and resources to our users, the Libraries of St. Johns River Community College will strive to fulfill the following goals:

- To build a relevant, comprehensive collection of resources of the highest degree of excellence, both qualitative and quantitative.
- To make the resources and services of the SJRCC Libraries accessible to all students and faculty regardless of their location or physical abilities.
- To provide a comprehensive program of formal and informal instruction programs for all members of the college community, promoting information literacy through individual and group instruction.
- To exploit the potential of technology in all areas to better serve our users.

- To promote and reflect the diversity of our community through staffing, services and collections.
- To provide the highest degree of service by employing knowledgeable professional and para-professional staff who are sensitive to the needs of our patrons and strive to accommodate them, thereby fostering a user-friendly atmosphere.
- To establish collaborative partnerships with other area libraries via reciprocal agreements, resource sharing and special programs to expand access to resources.
- To alert users to the services and resources that are available to them via displays, instructional materials, special programs, bibliographic instruction and tours.
- To make the collections of the SJRCC Libraries accessible to all patrons through effective cataloging and innovative use of technology.
- To provide access to the collections of other institutions through online catalogs and consortia agreements.
- To participate in and contribute to the statewide reciprocal borrowing agreement and online resource sharing of Florida's community colleges and state universities.
- To maintain close contact with the faculty and administration of SJRCC in order to keep abreast of the present and future needs of the academic programs and to seek their assistance when developing policy statements and long range plans.
- To develop and maintain an understanding of user needs through curricula review, faculty cooperation, user surveys and unsolicited suggestion forms and to respond to those needs accordingly.
- To provide pleasant Library facilities for on campus users and ever-improving online services for remote Library users.
- To protect intellectual freedom and support the ALA's Library Bill of Rights, Freedom to Read Statement, Intellectual Freedom Principles for Academic Libraries and the Policy on Confidentiality of Library Records.

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