

LIBRARY COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT

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Objective:	<p>This policy outlines the principles upon which the Library develops and maintains its collections to support the learning, teaching, scholarly and creative endeavors of students, staff, and faculty. This policy provides a framework for decision making, ensuring that a quality collection of library materials is maintained, available funds are spent wisely, and supports the users of Olds College and Ecole Olds High School (EOHS).</p> <p>The Campus Alberta Quality Council requires that Olds College has an established method of setting priorities for resource acquisitions to support research and academic programs with specific expectations for degree-level credentials.</p> <p>This policy describes the Library’s clientele, collection goals and budget allocations.</p> <p>As a member of The Alberta Library (TAL) consortia, Olds College Library respects its obligations to other member libraries.</p>
Policy:	<p>The clientele of the Olds College Library are members of the Olds College Community (students, faculty and staff) and members of the Ecole Olds High School Community (students, teachers and staff) and members of TAL (The Alberta Library).</p> <p>The Library develops and maintains collections for both Olds College and Ecole Olds High School In accordance with the Memorandum of Understanding with Chinook’s Edge School Division.</p> <p>Collection Goals - the primary goal of collection development is to collect and maintain resources that are current and relevant to core areas of study and research in a variety of formats, available both online and in print.</p> <p>Budget Allocation - the annual budget is developed by senior library staff in consultation with the Director of the Teaching & Learning Centre of Innovation (TLCI). Collection development funds for Ecole Olds High School will be set by the EOHS principal each August for the school year.</p>

	<p>Intellectual Freedom The Olds College Library adheres to the principles expressed in the Canadian Federation of Library Associations' Statement on Intellectual Freedom and Libraries.</p> <p>The Olds College Library adheres to copyright agreements.</p>
Definitions:	<p>Library Collection: The print, audio, video, and digital resources acquired by the library.</p> <p>The Alberta Library (TAL) Association: A province-wide consortium that serves 50 member libraries in over 300 locations across the province, including: public libraries, regional library systems, university libraries, college and technical institute libraries, and special libraries.</p>
Related Information:	<p>Copyright Act of Canada B10 Use of Copyrighted Material F16 Operations Budget</p>
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