

Hunfalvy János Bilingual Secondary Vocational School of Trade and Economics



The Hunfalvy János Bilingual Secondary Vocational School of Trade and Economics is attended by 700 day students and more than 100 young adults studying in the evening classes. These students are supported by almost 110 teachers and other educational staff. The aim of our school is to provide the students with appropriate academic knowledge, language competencies and professional skills in economics. It is also our task to improve the students' personal qualities, key competencies, social skills and environment consciousness. Our activities in education are aimed at training young people to communicate, negotiate and debate both in Hungarian and in foreign languages to safeguard their interests and to become successful European citizens in their future careers. In order to achieve these aims, we are continuously developing methodology and equipment and endeavour to create modern environment needed for efficient education in our school.

In accordance with these aims, since the last school year one of our priorities has been innovation in pedagogy and methodology, where professional and language training and developing competencies for our teachers are essential. (We had an open month in autumn, 2015 and 2016, when visitors (8-graders, parents and colleagues) could attend two lessons of each teacher in the school. Based on this programme, in 2015 we formed a team of teachers in methodology, whose members assist their colleagues with their experience and professional expertise.)

In order to maintain and increase the efficiency of our work, we need innovative school education teachers and non-teaching staff. Besides the colleagues' individual efforts to develop their skills, regular further training is also required.

The colleagues who directly participate in different trainings and projects are basically student-centred, innovative and co-operative. They are open-minded, hard-working and committed to their professional development. In addition, they intend to learn languages and place emphasis on acquiring and using the latest methods and technical equipment.

As a planned impact, the international relationship network of the school will be extended and a more modern and more committed school environment will take shape. The language, methodology, IT and intercultural competencies of the participants and indirectly those of each non-teaching staff will develop and their motivation and satisfaction will also increase. All these will have a positive effect on their teaching jobs; therefore the students will be motivated by their teachers' new skills and personal experiences to learn languages, to get to know European cultures and to accomplish lifelong learning.

With this project we would like to set an example to all the teachers of our school and partner schools (Professional Training Centre, other vocational schools in Budapest) motivating them to take part in similar programmes since such opportunities greatly contribute to the development of the institution and of public education.