



Kalashnikov Izhevsk State Technical University

English Language Department

Scientific and Educational Center

"Innovative Technologies in Language Professional Education"

Bachelor's and Master's Students representing Russian and foreign universities are invited to participate in the All-Russian language contest «**IT in Education: Pros and Cons**» under the guidance of the International Network of Language Centers and Programs (INLCP).

The Contest is held **in 2 steps**:

Step 1: contestants are to write an essay (no fewer than 250 words) at their home university. Each university selects the best 3-5 essays from language-related fields and 3-5 essays from technical fields which then must be submitted to the organizing committee of the host university.

Step 2: the final stage of the contest where the winners of the previous step have the opportunity to participate in an online international videoconference. An international jury along with the host university will evaluate the e-presentation talks and choose the finalists of the competition.

To participate in the online videoconference, students must submit:

- a preliminary abstract of the report (approx. 50 words in English);
- a Power Point presentation.

Conditions of the competition:

1. **Students majoring in language-related fields** are to write a for-and-against essay providing advantages and disadvantages for the issue presented and backing up these statements with arguments.

The use of information technologies has become widespread in the field of education these days. Most people consider this a positive development, but some may disagree. What advantages and disadvantages may be found in the use of information technologies in education? Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

2. **Students majoring in technical fields** are to express their opinions on the following topic.

The use of technology has made the process of teaching and learning more convenient. To what extent do you agree with this opinion? Give good grounds to support your point of view.

To take part, participants must complete the following registration form by March 20th: <https://forms.gle/CRpiuhGm9dJKZe7g9>

Deadlines

- Registration forms must be submitted **by March 20th, 2020**
- Students will write essays at their home universities. The university selects the best 3-5 essays from the students of language-related fields and 3-5 essays from the contestants of the technical fields. Universities must submit these essays to the Organizing Committee **by March 31st, 2020**.
- The list of contestants who have reached the videoconference stage will be released **by April, 10th, 2020**.
- The contestants selected to participate in the videoconference should submit an abstract of their presentation and their presentation in an electronic format to the Organizing Committee **by April 25th**.
- The videoconference participants should prepare an online Power Point presentation in English and present it to the jury in real time at the videoconference. The length of the presentation is not to exceed 10-12 minutes. Two students may work together on one presentation, with equal participation from each.
- The videoconference will be held **on April 30th, 2020**.

The jury will consist of independent English teachers and IT experts, members of the International Network of Language Centers and Programs.

The winners of the competition will receive certificates of excellence in various categories.

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