

Two best practices successfully implemented by the Institution

Title of the Practice: Community Initiatives

Goal

The college aims to instill a sense of social responsiveness and philanthropy among the students by motivating the students to contribute towards the noble cause of community welfare.

The Context

Schools and colleges have to impart the values of fellow feeling, brotherhood, charity and compassion and propel the students to extend the benefits of education, knowledge and awareness towards the disadvantaged sections of society.

The Practice

The college students are actively involved in social outreach programmes like:

- Voluntary help to the needy.
- Helping the underprivileged children.
- Interaction with Senior Citizens at Old Age Homes.
- Programmes for the disadvantaged sections of the society such as widows, orphans and disabled.
- Sensitization rallies, drives and plays on socially relevant themes like female foeticide, tree plantation, dowry, drug addiction and cleanliness etc.
- Imparting vocational training to the underprivileged sections of society.

Evidence of Success

Every year a good number of students participate in aforementioned activities to extend the benefits of their education, knowledge and awareness towards the disadvantaged sections of society.

Some distinct achievements during the academic session 2020-21:

1. NSS volunteers of the college enthusiastically participated in a digital awareness campaign in the villages in the vicinity of their homes to create awareness among the farmers about the ill effects of stubble burning.
2. The college celebrated International Yoga Day by organizing a webinar on “Yoga and Holistic Health...Context and Perspectives” on 21st June, 2021.

3. NSS volunteers of the college participated in various webinars/ workshops/ competitions in their effort to serve the community:
- Webinar on "National Education Policy" organized by the Government of India on 16th September 2020 to create awareness about NEP among NSS volunteers.
 - MGNCRE workshop (Phase 2) on "Social Entrepreneurship, Community Engagement and *Swachhta*" organized by the Mahatma Gandhi National Council of Rural Education (MGNCRE) on 13th October 2020.
 - Webinar on "*Parvasi Bharatiya Divas*" organized by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports with the aim to celebrate Indian youth from across the globe.
 - Webinar on "Women in Leadership" to commemorate International Women's Day, focusing on the life of *Sardarni Maan Kaur*.
 - Webinar on "Voices of YuWaah" organized by Pride of Punjab on 5th April 2021 to unveil the voices of YuWaah report, the Pride of Punjab Leaderboard and the official webpage.
 - An online Poster-Making Competition on October 2, 2020 to commemorate the 150th Birth Anniversary of *Mahatma Gandhi ji*.
 - A SESREC Cluster Level Competition on "Social Entrepreneurship" was organized from 27th to 28th March 2021 by MGNCRE, Ministry of Education.

Problems encountered

The college students are forever geared for social outreach and philanthropic activities. While performing these activities, their classes are missed. However, by attending extra classes/remedial classes, they make good their loss. Further, in the wake of Covid-19, students have struggled to balance between serving the society and staying safe. Also the indispensable lockdown stifled their benignant spirit.

II Best Practice

Title of the Practice: Inculcating Leadership Qualities in Students

Goal

The College is committed to impart the values of responsibility, initiative and decision-making to its students. This practice inculcates leadership skills, such as commitment, dedication, accountability, honesty, vision and creativity in the students.

The Context

There is great competition in the current world. To survive in such a world, students need to develop global competencies to meet the demands of the changing scenario successfully. Schools and colleges have to inculcate leadership skills in the students so that they are able to move in sync with the changing world.

The Practice

The college has various committees, clubs and societies to develop leadership skills among the students.

Student Council: The institution has a very vibrant Student Council with a Head Girl at the top of the hierarchy, followed by 2 Joint Head Girls and 6 Assistant Head Girls from different streams. The members of the Student Council are the elected class representatives. They organize functions, maintain discipline and address students' grievances.

Scholars Club: The Scholars Club comprises merit holders who have won top slots in the university examinations. The members of the Scholars Club update the faculty regarding their academic progress.

Editorial Board: Every section of the college magazine has a student editor who helps source articles from the students and also assists in editing the college magazine '*Shachi*'.

Library Committee: The library committee has a number of student volunteers who help the readers' access books and ensure security and discipline in the library. The volunteers are always willing to lend a helping hand to the differently-abled. These tasks inculcate leadership qualities and instill a sense of responsibility in them.

Hostel Committee: The hostel committee has a number of student representatives who take decisions regarding the functions to be organized, maintenance of discipline and cleanliness in the hostel. The student representatives are also involved in planning the menu of the Hostel Mess. They work in close co-operation with the wardens of the college hostel.

Discipline Committee: The committee is comprised of a president, a vice-president, a secretary and a joint secretary. The committee members contribute to the maintenance of discipline on all the important occasions of the college.

Mess and Canteen Committee: Members ensure that healthy food cooked in hygienic conditions is served to the students at reasonable prices.

Evidence of Success

Every year a good number of students act as in charges of various committees, clubs and societies and carry out various activities and, develop various leadership skills, such as, commitment, dedication, accountability, honesty, vision and creativity.

Student Editors of the college magazine *Shachi* helped source articles from the students and also assisted in editing during the academic session 2020-21. Members of the Library Committee helped the reader's access books even during the difficult time of COVID-19. Members of the Scholars Club held meetings with the teachers in charge & updated the faculty regarding their academic progress, highlighting the problem areas where any kind of help from the institution is required and continuous to do so virtually during the COVID-19 the Lockdown. Members of the Hostel Committee helped in the maintenance of discipline & cleanliness in the hostel and facilitated easy evacuation of the hostels during COVID-19 Emergency. Members of mess and canteen committee made a huge contribution in maintaining the quality of food and rates.

During the academic session 2020-21, the students developed and exhibited the qualities of commitment, integrity, dedication, accountability and decision.

Some distinct achievements during the academic session 2020-21

- Exhibiting leadership skills of responsibility, initiative, decision-making, vision and creativity:
 - Muskan Sahni, acted as President of Dance Club.
 - Nikita Puri, BA Sem-V acted as President of Music Vocal Club.
 - Radhika Bhatia, BA Sem-V acted as President of Music Instrumental Club.
 - Diksha Sahani BAJMC sem V, acted as President of Theatre Club.
 - Anshita Mehta, BBA sem III acted as Joint Secretary of Theatre Club
 - Mehak Sharma, M.A. Eng Sem-I acted as President of Youth Welfare.
 - Shivani, M.com sem III acted as Joint Secretary of Discipline Committee.
 - Cadet Under Officer Rupali Aggarwal, BA Sem-VI, acted as President of NCC Army Wing
 - Cadet Under Officer Navneet Kaur, B.A. Sem VI, acted as Vice President of NCC Army Wing.
 - Cadet SGT Ruchi, B.Com Sem VI acted as President of NCC Air Wing
 - Cadet Corporal Indu Kumari, BA Sem VI acted as Vice President of NCC Air Wing
 - Akshita, BA Sem-V acted as President of Red Cross.
 - Nishtha Takiar, M.Com Sem III acted as President of the NSS, Member NSS Core Committee and Member of Organizing Committee of NSS.
 - Shivani, M.Com. Sem-III, Amritpal kaur B.Com. Sem-V, Radhika Sabharwal B.sc (Eco.) Sem V and Samridhi Sharma, B.A Sem V acted as President, Vice-President, Secretary and Joint Secretary of the Discipline Committee respectively.
 - Shreya Mehra, BBA. Sem-V, Muskan Sharma, BA Hons sem V, Kajal Sathalia, BSc eco sem V, Sakshi Ajay Gupta, BA (JMC) Sem III, Japsimran, BMM sem IV and Chahat Rajpal, BA sem III acted Assistant Head Girls.