

Bapuji Educational Association (Regd)
A.R.G. COLLEGE OF ARTS AND COMMERCE
& POST GRADUATE CENTRE
P.J. Extension, DAVANGERE-577 004. Karnataka-India

Affiliated to Davangere University Accredited by NAAC with B (CGPA 2.21) Recognised by UGC under 2f & 12b

Best Practices

1. Issue of Library books on Deposit Scheme

Goal:-

- Mould both teachers and taught.
- Expansion of rational thinking among the students
- Equip them intellectually and lead successfully life.

Context:-

The library of the institution has undergone a change to make it user-friendly with the adoption of suitable technology and open access system in the process of lending and collecting the books from the borrowers so as to expose itself for the better accessibility to its stakeholders easily.

Practice:-

In its traditional mode of operation, only a fixed number of books were to be issued for a fixed time. So, it was decided to bring a change in the mode of its operation by allowing students to borrow as many numbers of books as they require by depositing their ID card till the exam starts.

Evidence of success:-

The implementation of this practice of lending books in a liberalized way started to bring good feedback. For those who are unable to purchase more number of books for their expensive study are quite happy by this system.

Problems Encountered and Resources Required: Since this practice does not require any financial requirement, no problems are encountered in the implementation of this practice.

2. Blood Donation

Goal:-

To save the life of patients who are in need of blood in time.

Context:-

In Davangere city many hospitals are located which need blood in time for many patients who are admitted with different health issues. Blood banks are few which are unable to handle the demand of blood in time.

Practice:-

During the year, Blood is collected from the students and staff who are willing to donate the blood voluntarily by the staff members of Red Cross and it is arranged to preserve in their blood bank so that it is made available for the patients who avail it in time.

Evidence of success:-

The implementation of this practice has made many poor and needy patients avail it in emergency.

Problems Encountered and Resources Required: No problem is encountered as such because it is a mutual arrangement made between the institution and the Red cross association.

3. Prayer and uniform

Goal : The significance of prayer before doing a significant work in the Indian context is as old as the existence of human being on this planet. Earlier it was practised by saints, religious monks and others to control their desires to achieve perfection i.e. the ultimate reality of life.

Prayer and uniform (simple dress code) were self-imposed as the directives of life in the path of success. They found it necessary to follow this to attain internal as well as external purity and sanctity to develop a sense of unity and equality.

In the recent past, during freedom struggle, Mahathma Gandhi, the father of our nation had followed the same principle in his personal as well as public life. It is said that he used to begin his daily routine by prayer, and his dress code also was very simple, as we know, two pieces of cloth. The immense faith he had in prayer enabled himself to transform from an ordinary human being to an extraordinary human being.

Context : The present age is dominated by the inventions and discoveries of science and technology. On the one hand, these scientific and technological inventions like T.V, Mobile, Xerox shops etc., are the major threats to the student community in diverting their resource, attention and valuable time from the main goal. On the other side, the time is running out like

anything in pursuit of knowledge and wisdom in too many directions beyond human comprehension.

Keeping in view, all the above instances as sources of inspiration, role model, and example, it was decided to implement the singing of national anthem in uniform in the college 10 min before the commencement of the classes compulsorily.

It was presumed, this practice would provide a rocky foundation in their course of learning so as to cultivate a sense of unity and discipline, patriotic outlook, respect for the institution by attaining concentration in the process of learning.

The Practice: Singing of national anthem in educational institutions starting from class I to class XII is a common factor in all the educational institutions across the nation. But this practice is a very rare in higher educational institutions. But in our institution this is in vogue for over last ten years. In the beginning of every academic year, during orientation programme for first year students, faculty members would brief the significance and necessity of prayer and uniform in higher educational institutions and hence this practice of singing national anthem and wearing uniform is going on regularly with enthusiasm.

NCC and NSS volunteers take the maximum effort in compiling the students in lines, giving cautions and other related works, Sports director of the college monitor the overall practice and other faculty members including the principal participate in this morning prayer without fail, It is not an exaggeration to say that this practice has been a tradition in our college that provides moral strength to our students, a unique step in their personality development.

Evidence of success: Any practice with good intention yields slowly, “**slow and steady wins the race**”. Though the success of this practice is invisible, but it is immeasurable. It is not the materialistic growth but a moral and spiritual stamina that would instil a positive outlook in the life of the students. The impact of this practice among our students is visible in their behaviour in and outside the class room, in relation with their teacher, parents and ultimately in their academic performance. Even the passersby before our college during the prayer stand for a while as a token of respect. ***Imitation is the best form of appreciation.***

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