

Best Practices

1. Title of the Practice:

Empowering students of the central committee for better governance and leadership qualities.

2. Objectives of the Practice:

A student council is a representative structure through which students can become involved in the affairs of college working in partnership with the management, faculty, and students for the benefit of the college and its students.

It is important that they be given a platform to express their views on issues of concern. They should be listened to encourage taking an active part in promoting the aims and objectives of the college. The establishment of council gives an opportunity to acquire the art of communication planning and organising skills. They help in promoting an environment conducive to educational and personal development, to support management and to represent views of students on matters of general concern.

3. The Practice:

The college every year arranges a staff meeting in which faculty unanimously appoints one faculty as Vice president of student's council. Once appointed the vice president then makes a merit list and top 3 students from each year are finalised. This is in accordance with CharutarVidyamandal policy of not conducting elections on the premises.

Once they are listed the names are put on the notice board for the perusal of students to check if someone is left or any discrepancy is there. The student having the highest percentage is offered the position of General Secretary after that followed by selection of in-charges of different dhara. They are then introduced to the whole college along with faculty in charge.

The General Secretary works with the Vice President and Principal, Vice President and other faculty in charge to conduct meetings and chalk out programmes to be conducted throughout the year. The in-charges have the duty of planning activity communicating to students taking lead; encouraging students to participate in the activity, students arrange the whole activity, students arrange the whole activity and make reports, take photos give duties to other students for successful executive of the programme.

This way they learn leadership qualities, execution and working with both the students by creating balance which will help in their future life. The central committee collectively works to make any programme successful. The general secretary gets an opportunity to share the dais with the guest and management representative during the annual day. All year-round different curricular and cocurricular activities expose the students to master their fear. They also take part in youth festivals organised by university where the students get an opportunity to part in district level and state level activities where they learn to cope with stress, handling teams, motivating students for active participation and dealing with officials. All these will help them in future.

4. Evidence of success:

The activities of the student council started with an orientation programme for F.Y.B. Sc - Abhisankaran on 10/07/2018 in which DSP. Komal Vyas was the chief guest. The handling of the programme was done by the general secretary and her team- GreyHounds. Student council planned

and effectively executed Guru Purnima in which they gave each faculty flowers as token of reverence and gratitude on 27/07/2018.

To hone their skills and improve their leadership qualities a leadership workshop was conducted "Lead form the front" where they were taught to acquire skills and knowledge to solve different problems concerning students on 1/08/2018.

To celebrate teachers' day on 04/09/2018 -Guru Acharya Namah.:The student's council participated in a greeting card competition with messages to show their respect to teachers and were given to faculty and administrative staff.

Student council participated in youth fest from 03/10/2018 to 04/10/2018 conducted by Sardar Patel University by taking part in activities motivating students to participate in different activities.

On 23/2/2019 an interactive session on gender sensitization was organised in which students form council along with faculty took part where they learnt men and women can work together with sense personal security and dignity a very important lesson for our girls students.

Last activity of the students council is the celebration of an annual day where the activities conducted throughout the year are showcased to the management guest of honor and invited guest followed by Talent evening totally conducted by students.

5. Problems encountered and resources required:

One of the problems encountered is being only a girls' college and in rural areas many parents are not open for girls participating in extracurricular activities. Resources in the form of transportation from their village to college are also limited. Many times due to semester systems and exam patterns the student council cannot participate in state level and district level competitions and programmes.

Best Practice 2

1. Title: Developing the personality and character of students through voluntary community services- NSS.

2. Objective of the Practice:

National service scheme was introduced in 1969 with the primary objective of developing the personality and character of students through voluntary community service. Each NSS volunteer is required to put in a minimum 120 hours service/year. Besides that, NSS unit organises special camps of 7 days in adopted villages and urban slums during vacations with specific projects by involving the local communities. The college also has a NSS unit for many years and the students are participating actively in all the programmes. They take part in activities like **shramdaan**, cleanliness drive, blood donations, rallies, making it an ideologically motivated programme and one of the greatest experiments in the field of youth.

3. The practice:

NSS volunteers have been making very valuable contributions to society besides developing their own personality. These students represent the most dynamic and vibrant section of the society. They are a part of Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat Initiative. Under the guidance of NSS in charge a camp was organised in JHOL Village from 17th December to 23rd December 2018. The students stayed in the village and rendered their services to the community. Students who are specialized in the field of Nutrition, textile and clothing, Human development and family resource management conducted various programmes like career opportunity workshops in collaboration with All Gujarat Women Organization- Shakti Manch and Inner wheel club for making beauty products. Local school students were given a talk on motivation.

Rural women were taught artificial jewellery made from waste cloth and different techniques for stain removal were taught. The adolescents in the village were given self-defence training.

Role play on BetiBachao – BetiPadhao was conducted to sensitize villagers to learn the importance of girls education. They were also taught chocolate making and preservation of food.

Apart from this they learn to work with the community, create balance among their fellow students, work in harmony by cooking, cleaning, preparing for activity, informing the villagers, doing surveys, talking to the old people etc.

5. Evidence of success:

Throughout the year 31 programmes were conducted in which most volunteers of all three years took part. Students took part in Yoga day celebrations, cleanliness drive, rally for anti-drug march, Thalassemia check-up camp, no plastic day etc. students took part in district level activity like Mock Youth Parliament on 21/01/2019 to put their views on various issues concerning the country. They joined Karunaabhiyan drive on 11/01/2019 with district animal welfare society of Anand to save the lives of birds during Uttara yan. One student attended the national Integration Camp to be aware of the culture of different states. One student attended Ektayatra on 3/10/2018 at the Statue of Unity to commemorate the completion of the statue.

6. Problems encountered, and resources required:

Apart from unresponsive village communities no problems as such were faced.