

Government College (Autonomous) Kalaburagi

Best Practices of the College

Title of the practice:

1. Morning Assembly Session

Objective of the practice:

- a. The morning assembly session brings all the staff and students together at one time and we all as a family pray together and sing National Anthem and State Nada Geete. This brings in a feeling of patriotism and belongingness amongst students. The assembly session is also a platform to make important announcements by the principal. It is also basis to inculcate a habit of strict discipline and time management among students. An excellent activity that is followed every day is reading the newspaper headlines by one student each day in assembly session. This helps both the staff and students to be updated with current affairs and other important news.

Context

- b. Teachers address the gathering for about 10 minutes on various current issues and moral obligatory aspects in life. We draw their attention towards the all-round development of their body, soul and mind. Achievements of both students and faculty members are highlighted during the assembly sessions. This encourages other to achieve during the course of time. The college also propose to change a practice where instead of reading headlines from a Kannada newspaper the students must refer and read Deccan herald / Times of India newspaper so as to have a better coverage of News and also helps each one of us to improve our command in English language.

Practice

- c. Conduct of morning assembly though is a common practice followed by almost all institutes but we have tried to add a practice of Newspaper reading and sharing of important news among the students which is a value addition. To expand this practice, we aim to bring in new ideas such as reading Employment Rozgar Yojana paper and informing the students of final year about employment opportunities available. The college basically has first generation learners and therefore these kinds of practices help them to match up with changing educational environment

Evidence of Success

- d. The practice has yielded good successful as the student arrive in time to the college to attend the assembly session and with lot of interest hear the headlines read by their fellow students. This helped lot of our students who absorbed in various government departments. The students follow a strict dress code in the assembly. The college assembly inculcates a habit of discipline among the students. The students are also told about basic ethics to be followed both inside and outside the campus. We have received encouraging feedback regarding this programme. Teachers use this occasion as an opportunity to meet all the students to communicate new things which are useful for their overall development. Students are also encouraged to express their views on different things.

Problems encountered and resources needed

- e. The college campus is located at 5 km away from bus station and is near to outer ring road. Most of the students come from nearby villages by Bus. The students sometimes face difficulty in getting the bus in time and also because of very limited number of buses they are late to the morning assembly session. Only few students actively participate in the Morning assembly events where as the other students always prefer being silent listeners as they lack confidence, stage fear and have inferiority issues. Hence, we force same students again and again to conduct the assembly session every day.

Proper bus facility will help the students to reach the campus in time and regular conduct of class level activities will surely help the students overcome stage fear. An open-air theatre system should be installed to ensure proper visibility of the stage to all students and shelters must be installed so that assembly session can also be conducted during rainy seasons.

2. Promotion of Research and Enhancement of Teaching-learning experience for all

Objective:

- a. Research plays an important role in attaining better standards of higher education. Most of the college staff members are Ph.D. holders and with their assistance we wish to inculcate the research habits in students and other staff members as well. Research always helps in expanding the area of study and creates an urge to explore and learn something new. Research experience allows students to better understand published works, learn to balance collaborative and individual work, determine an area of interest and jump start their careers as researchers.

Context

- b. Our staff members and students are always motivated to attend seminars and workshops that help them to understand changes taking place in the era of higher education and also participate in emerging burning issues. However, our students always face financial problems in attending such programmes as no National or International seminars are organized locally, hence the students are required to travel to other places where they face affordability issues.

The staff members have made a decent participation in research-oriented activities in the recent years. Most of our faculty member is a Recognized guide of Gulbarga University. The college is also recognized as a research centre for Kannada studies, Mathematics, Zoology and shortly it will be a research centre for other subjects also. Our staff members have made significant number of paper presentation, participated as resource persons, published books and research papers at both national and international level.

Practice

- c. As per NEP-2020, Higher education promotes research-oriented learning. This type of learning always bridges the gap between theory and practice thereby providing practical exposure to the learners. Our college staff members have always been active contributors in the field of research.

Evidence of Success

- d. The college staff members have shown a decent success in the last five years. Our institution has 13 PG departments with project/research facilities. Our staff members have published books and research papers and also active on Google Scholar where their research has received good citations. The college also deputed teachers to attend various seminars, workshops, FDP'S, Short term courses and Research methodology workshops.

Problems encountered and Resources required

- e. The college also wants the students to undertake research projects but due to non-availability of supporting nearby institutions and concerns we are unable to execute the same. The students also find it difficult to carry out research work as most of them immediately after classes go to their agricultural fields to work. Our college wishes to be research centre for other subjects also but the infrastructure constraints is restricting our efforts.

Other best practices of the college are:

1. Feedback system- Collecting the feedback from stakeholders and also preparing the analysis of the same and also hosting it on our website.
2. Orientation programme for the First year newly admitted students.