Theme: Leadership for Equity, Diversity and Inclusion

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ABOUT US

Zilla Parishad Girls High School (ZPGHS), Palvancha, fondly known as Abhyudaya, stands tall as a beacon of education and empowerment in the Bhadradri Kothagudem district. Established in the 1970s, the school has a storied history of providing quality education to generations of young girls. As one of the oldest and most respected institutions in the Palvancha mandal, ZPGHS has become synonymous with academic excellence and holistic development. With an impressive enrollment of 526 students across 17 sections, the school is the largest in the mandal in terms of student strength.

ZPGHS is more than just a school; it is a community that fosters growth, innovation, and inclusivity. Over the decades, it has consistently evolved to meet the changing needs of education, embracing new methodologies, and remaining steadfast in its mission to empower young girls through learning. This commitment has made it a pillar of inspiration not only for students and parents but also for educators and the broader community.

INNOVATIVE PRACTICES AND INITIATIVES

Education at ZPGHS goes beyond traditional teaching methods. By fostering creativity, critical thinking, and innovation, the school ensures that its students are equipped with the skills and knowledge to thrive in the modern world. Below are some of the initiatives that set ZPGHS apart.

Special Classes for Academic Excellence

Recognizing the challenges that 10th-grade students face during their board exams, ZPGHS introduced special preparatory classes in October 2024. These classes are held twice daily—early in the morning from 8:00 AM to 9:00 AM and again in the evening from 4:15 PM to 5:15 PM. The goal is to provide targeted support in key subjects, helping students revisit critical concepts, clear doubts, and practice exam-oriented questions.

Teachers take immense pride in these sessions, often going beyond their scheduled hours to ensure that no student is left behind. Teachers have taken extraordinary efforts to support students, dedicating additional time and employing creative teaching techniques like quiz competitions, puzzles etc to address learning gaps, which has significantly enhanced students'

understanding and academic performance.

Emphasis on Digital Learning

In an era where technology drives progress, ZPGHS has embraced digital tools to transform the classroom experience. Interactive Flat Panels (IFPs), projectors, and online platforms such as Keyon are now integral to lessons. Teachers, too, have undergone training to effectively incorporate these tools, leveraging digital resources to make classes more engaging.

For example, our science teachers recently used live models to demonstrate complex scientific processes, allowing students to visualize concepts that were previously difficult to grasp through textbooks alone. This adoption of digital technology has bridged gaps in understanding and encouraged active participation among students.

A Vision for Tomorrow: School of the Future Award

In a proud moment for our school, we were recognized as the School of the Future from Telangana under the Digital Nagrik Program last year. This prestigious honor underscores our commitment to integrating technology into education and preparing students for a digitally- driven future. By adopting advanced teaching tools, leveraging platforms like Keyon, and fostering digital literacy among students and staff, our school has set a benchmark for innovation in education. This recognition reflects the collective dedication of our educators to bridge traditional learning with modern advancements, ensuring our students are



equipped with the skills and knowledge to thrive in a rapidly evolving world.

EXTRA CURRICULAR AND CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

ZPGHS firmly believes that learning should extend beyond academics. The school encourages its students to explore their talents and passions through a variety of extracurricular and co-curricular activities. These activities are carefully designed to nurture creativity, teamwork, and self-confidence.

Art and Creativity

ZPGHS frequently organizes art and crafts competitions where students are encouraged to experiment with new techniques in painting, sketching, and crafting. Recently, our students participated in a drawing competition held by Eenadu daily newspaper on environmental protection, demonstrating awareness alongside creativity.



Cultural and Literary Competitions

The school has become a hub for cultural and literary activities. Students regularly participate in events such as spell-bees, elocution contests, and story- writing competitions. In a recent district-level mono-action competition, a 9th- grade student's powerful performance on the theme of single-use plastics earned her first place, bringing immense pride to the school.

Additionally, the school's focus on the arts has enabled students to excel in drawing, singing, and dancing competitions. These activities not only bring

recognition but also instill a sense of achievement and discipline in students.

Exposure Visits Through the PM SHRI Scheme

Under the PM Schools for Rising India (PM SHRI) scheme, our school organized an enriching exposure visit for 9th-grade students to the historic city of Warangal and the renowned Ramappa Temple. This educational excursion aimed to deepen students' understanding of India's cultural heritage and foster a connection with their roots. At Warangal, students explored the architectural marvels of the Kakatiya dynasty, including the Thousand Pillar Temple and the Warangal Fort, which stand as testaments to the region's rich history. The visit to the UNESCO-recognized Ramappa Temple further captivated their interest with its intricate carvings and timeless beauty. Recently, we have also organized a field trip for all of our students to the District Collectorate and Medical College to motivate them towards public administration and medical profession.

ACADEMIC TRANSFORMATION AND RESULTS

10th Grade Board Examination Achievements

The performance of ZPGHS students in the SSC board examinations has been exceptional. In the 2023-24 academic year, 158 students appeared for the exams, and the results were remarkable:

33 students scored a perfect 10 CGPA in Telugu, setting a record for the school.

18 students achieved CGPAs above 8.5, showcasing their hard work and the effectiveness of the school's teaching strategies.

National Means-Cum-Merit Scholarship (NMMS)

The NMMS program has become a hallmark of ZPGHS's academic success. In 2023, seven students qualified for this prestigious scholarship, a testament to the school's emphasis on nurturing talent. This year, 36 students have applied, with teachers providing guidance and specialized training to help them succeed.

Competitive Edge

ZPGHS students have consistently demonstrated their competitive spirit. For example, a 10th-grade student recently qualified for the State-Level Social Studies Talent Test, while two others represented the district in the Program for Scientifically-Inspired Leadership (PSIL) organized by Harvard University. These achievements reflect the school's dedication to fostering excellence.

Focus on English Proficiency

English proficiency is a priority at ZPGHS, as it prepares students for higher education and professional opportunities. Regular literary activities, such as debates and extempore speaking sessions, have helped students become confident communicators. Recently, the school introduced an English-language club where students engage in role-plays, storytelling, and peer-to-peer learning.

HEALTH AND WELL-BEING PROGRAMS

ZPGHS is deeply committed to the mental and physical well-being of its students. Recognizing the importance of a healthy body and mind, the school has implemented several programs aimed at holistic development.

Meditation and Yoga

In collaboration with a spiritual organization, the school conducts weekly meditation sessions for students from grades 6 to 9. These sessions help students develop mindfulness and manage stress. Additionally, yoga classes, led by the school's Physical Director, emphasize physical fitness, flexibility, and mental focus.

Self-Defense Workshops

Empowerment is a key tenet of the school's philosophy. Self-defense workshops are regularly held to equip girls with essential skills to protect themselves. These sessions, often conducted by local police officers or martial arts trainers, are both practical and confidence-building.

Awareness Programs for Adolescent Girls

Workshops on reproductive health and hygiene, led by women doctors from the community, provide essential knowledge and address sensitive topics in a supportive environment. These programs have been instrumental in building awareness and fostering a sense of self-respect among students.

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION

The success of ZPGHS is deeply rooted in its collaboration with the local community. Parents, industries, and local organizations all play a vital role in supporting the school's mission.

Parental Engagement

Monthly parent-teacher meetings, held every third Saturday, provide a platform for parents to share their concerns and feedback. These sessions foster a sense of partnership, ensuring that students receive consistent support both at home and in school.

Support from Local Organizations

Local industries like KTPS and Navabharath have contributed significantly by providing infrastructure and incentives for students. For example, a recent donation enabled the purchase of additional projectors, enhancing the school's digital learning capabilities.

Efforts That Make Zpghs Successful

The achievements of ZPGHS are the result of relentless dedication from its teachers and staff. Their efforts extend far beyond the classroom.

Financial and Material Contributions

Teachers often contribute from their own pockets to support school activities. From sponsoring prizes for achievers to organizing special meals, their

generosity has a lasting impact.

Encouragement for Participation

Students are consistently encouraged to participate in district-level competitions, gaining exposure and building confidence. The school ensures that these opportunities are accessible to all students, regardless of their financial background.



Inclusive Practices

Self-assessment and regular feedback sessions ensure that the school remains adaptable and responsive to the needs of its students. This inclusive approach has created an environment where every student feels valued and supported.

Celebrating Success and Building a Legacy

ZPGHS has made it a tradition to publicly celebrate the achievements of its students. The school's YouTube channel serves as a digital showcase for these accomplishments, inspiring pride among students and parents alike. Additionally, the channel provides a glimpse into the school's vibrant culture, from its academic milestones to cultural celebrations.

LOOKING AHEAD

ZPGHS Palvancha remains steadfast in its mission to empower young girls through education. The school is constantly exploring new ways to innovate and improve. Plans for the future include:

Expanding digital infrastructure to include AI-powered learning tools. Introducing vocational training programs to equip students with practical skills.

Strengthening partnerships with industries to provide internships and career guidance.

With its strong foundation, dedicated staff, and vibrant student community, ZPGHS is well-positioned to continue shaping the future of its students and inspiring the broader community.