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DAV PUBLIC SCHOOL
BRS NAGAR, LUDHIANA

Nurturing a Positive and Respectful School Environment

Esteemed Parents

Greetings!

I hope this letter finds you in good health and high spirits. I write to you today not just as a designated representative of our school, but as a partner in the shared responsibility of fostering a conducive and respectful learning environment for our students.

Certain behaviours are observed among some of our senior school students that require immediate attention and corrective action. We believe that a collaborative approach between the school and parents is essential to address these concerns and guide our students towards a more positive path.

The issues at hand are -

1. Indifferent Behaviour and Disregard for School Rules: We have noticed instances where some students are repeatedly displaying indifference towards school rules. This not only undermines the structure of our institution but also hampers the collective learning experience. It is crucial that we emphasize the importance of adhering to the school rules for the well-being of everyone.
2. Rowdy Behaviour and Disrespect towards Teachers: Instances of rowdy behaviour and disrespect towards teachers have been reported from some senior students, which is very disheartening. This is not in line with the values we uphold at our school. It's important that we remind our students to treat their teachers and other seniors with the respect and courtesy they deserve.
3. Irregular Attendance and Study Habits: Irregular attendance and lacklustre study habits hinder academic progress and overall growth of the students. It's imperative that we encourage our students to take their studies seriously and attend classes consistently.
4. Bullying and Harmful Behaviour: Some senior students at times try to bully junior students and other peers. This kind of behaviour is contrary to the inclusive and supportive environment we strive to provide. We urge you to discuss with your child the importance of treating fellow students with kindness and empathy.

Some of the possible reasons for these disrespectful behaviours can be:

- I. Lacking High Goals and Having Low Expectations from Self

When students do not set high expectations from themselves, they may not see the value in adhering to institutional rules or striving for excellence. Without

setting clear goals, students might struggle to find purpose in their academic pursuits and overall conduct. Without clear goals, students may not feel the urgency to complete assignments or study diligently. They may keep on postponing the academic tasks till the last minute, and lack building any rapport with their teachers. 'Being in the good books of the teacher' is a phrase of the yesteryears now and is no longer a desire for most of the students.

II. Excessive Use of Social Media and Negative Peer Influence

The widespread use of social media leads to distractions and lack of focus on important matters, including school responsibilities. It creates a false sense of self worth through online friends and followers on Facebook and Instagram etc., which may not be of any useful value in the hour of need. Without personal goals, students can be more susceptible to negative peer influence. They engage in behaviours that detract from their academic progress or personal development.

III. Feeling overly secure in all aspects

Most of the times it is observed that students have an unrealistic carefree attitude towards life. Relying upon parental support and other connections, they feel overly secure in every possible way, and feel that their parents/elder siblings and some influential acquaintances can bail them out in every bad situation. They consider themselves to be above any rules and norms, because of wrong influence from their social circle. Such a myth needs to be broken with parental intervention who can show them their real worth. Instant gratification of all their demands can also be the reason for feeling overly secure. Such students see grass to be always green through their tinted glasses and are far from harsh realities of life.

As stakeholders in your child's education, I request you for your unflinching support in addressing these issues.

- Open communication between teachers and students, as well as guidance from home, can significantly impact the behaviour and choices of young students. Let us work together to instil in our students a sense of responsibility, respect, and a vision for their future.
- Addressing these issues requires helping students discover and cultivate their passions and interests. Encourage them to set meaningful short-term and long-term goals that can provide a sense of direction, purpose, and motivation.
- Help them set high goals for themselves, that will surely help develop strong work ethics, prioritize their academic tasks and engage in positive behaviours that align with their aspirations.

We will soon invite you to special parent-teacher meetings where we can discuss these concerns further and collectively develop strategies for positive change. Your involvement is invaluable in helping us shaping the character and attitude of our young learners.

Thank you for your time and consideration. We look forward to partnering with you in creating a harmonious and thriving school environment.

With Warm Regards

Yours sincerely

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Principal