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Student's drift from academics reasons and solutions from the faculties end

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Abstract

This paper presents the mind set of current generation and the factors that force them away from education. The students today are more for social networking, blogging, texting and chatting and are drifting away totally from the core of academics. This paper tries to establish the reasons for the rift, and gives out optimal solutions for the big challenge for the teachers.

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Full paper

This paper doesn't generalise the whole student community but fifty to sixty person lack interest in education. Gone are those days when the students have to hunt for faculty to clear their doubts and clarify their questions, at present faculty members are ready to help round the clock. But some students are not making best use of the given opportunity. They find numerous ways to break away from the learning. They don't take education as a pleasurable experience but a bitter track to travel. They don't enjoy the intricacies of learning but take it up as burden vested upon them. There are multiple reasons for this setback from education the primary one is the advent of smart phones and social networking. Students spend their predominant time in checking their phones for new videos, texts or messages. Smart phones and internet are indispensable in humdrum of life; social media plays a pivotal role in human routine. Their communication and activities are shaped by the digital trends. Students' eyes are bound by the blue lights emitted from the Smartphone and digital media. They are glued to social media and digital media to the core. They wake up to the mobile alarm and doze off setting up an alarm for the next morning. Smart phones travel with them from dawn to dusk in this digital era. It is an inseparable part of their life.

Distractions and diversions are predominant than concentration and coordination, children completely are aping from the tinsel world. They correspond their real life with the celluloid hub and spoil their future. They grasp whatever is shown on the silver screen without giving it a second thought, they envisage themselves in the place of the male lead or the female lead. They are completely blind to the reality of the world which is highly competitive and intense. They are carried away by the movie portraying an overnight success of the actor. Success is taken to be cake walk and plain reality of life is completely ignored. A wrong ideal is circulating in their mind i.e they can earn as soon as they step out with a degree and on the contrary many lack interest as they have made up their mind that they will never get a job in this competitive atmosphere and remain hesitant. Lakhs of graduates step out of many portals but how many are quality hands, how many can be absorbed into job portfolio is all a big question in the society. Postponement is highly prevalent among the student community, they are very well aware that the examinations are on the cards but seldom start the preparation. Previously the staff had authority over the student and parents too were in full support of the same. But now situation is upside down parents themselves are unable to have full control over their wards. They just have one or two kids and they are blindly following whatever their demands maybe. When the parents themselves are lacking authority over the child the teachers' state is a bad one where whatever corrective measure they give to the student with all good intention is taken to the heart and complaints are made upon that poor soul. Students wish to spend their time lavishly on social networking, phones and systems and want to enjoy each and every moment. They do not wish to be under any surveillance or monitoring which they feel ashamed of. They feel they know everything and corrections and clarifications are taken as a mark of shame. Student need to be treated in a dignified way mindless of how they act. The general attitudes of the students have taken a huge shift from eagerness in all activities to disinterestedness. There is a general indifference found among the students which is a bad sign for the future. The involvement that they show in smart phones and social networking never creeps up when it comes to education or learning. This is shown in the lack of their attendance to the institutions, the regularity and punctual stance is dwindling down day by day. The pleasurable ambiance filled with fun and frolic, easy going management is what they expect. This attitude is not a serious one as all the students have their own capabilities and talents just they need a push to shine in their lives. We can't totally blame the students for this shift. The culture and society plays a major role where everything is bound by media. Media influences their delicate minds and takes them in its way. The ultimate solution can come from the faculty who are meeting them regularly and students spend their quality time in educational institutions. Communication can be a goal hitter in this regard, teacher needs to walk an extra mile for the benefit of the students, and they should make them aware of the daring realities of the world. An understanding of the real world is a must, qualifying themselves in any one field and mastering that field must be spoken of. Using social networking sites or smart phones cannot be prohibited as it has formed a crucial part of our lives and it helps in digital storytelling, language learning applications are there to guide the students, surfing net has become integral for answering in examinations. But limitations can be drawn from their own end as limitations drawn from the parent or the teacher's side would make them act rebellious. They can monitor the time they spend in social networking or texting and try to restrain from over usage. A considerable time has to be spent on academics either writing or reviewing the happening in the class. A stipulated time for relaxation, smart phone usage and education must be systematised in their routine. All this can be possible from the faculties end. Few considerate words and affectionate look would be a definite change maker in the classroom setup. Students are very fragile and delicate, a staff would be able to understand this by the way a student disposes his/her self in the classroom atmosphere. Stringency and rigidity will not work for them. We have to make them understand that the teacher is able to understand what he/she is going through and try to offer possible remedies accordingly. A historic change can be possible only from the teacher's end. As professors we can do miracles with the students mind and bring about a drastic transformation in the student community.