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## **Institutional Distinctiveness**

Upliftment of the rural masses by providing adequate and necessary facilities for offering the quality education is an area distinctive to the vision of the institution. The institution under the guidance and dynamic leadership of the Pravara Rural Education Society, aims at bringing the students into main stream by offering them academic programs in the faculties of Arts, Commerce and Science along with the fifteen skill-oriented, vocational and certificate courses to make them confident and independent. The education process in addition to classroom interactions is also facilitated through advanced teaching techniques and tools such as power point presentations, 3D models, charts, films based on literary works, GPS, slide-share, online study guides etc. For the holistic development of the students, apart from curricular activities, co-curricular and extracurricular activities are also conducted. To tap and bring out the hidden talents among the students, activities such as sports, cultural, debating, elocution, exhibitions, presentations etc. are organized. Considering the need for vocational education in the present competitive world, the institution has introduced skill development courses viz. Spoken English and Communication Skills and Mulberry Sapling Producer.

The institution prioritizes to empower socially, economically and educationally marginalized sections of the society through appropriate education with an objective to cultivate the qualities among the students that would transfer them into a cultured and knowledgeable human resource. The objective is realized by facilitating learning and involvement of students in various programs related to the social, health, environment awareness, women empowerment and other cross cutting issues.

The institution also focuses on staff enrichment programs by providing them incentives in the form of study leave and duty leave for faculty development programs. They are motivated to engage themselves in research to keep themselves abreast of latest developments in their subjects. Faculty development programs are organized every year. The institution has an edge for having an impartial co-education system that is keen on the issue of gender equity. It has ensured the safety and security of the girl students by appointing a woman Vice-Principal and security guard which has created a congenial ecosystem and developed confidence in them. The girl students are offered the lessons in self-defence, yoga, meditation etc. making them physically and psychologically fit. The efforts have been reflected into increasing number of admissions as well as academic performance of girl students.



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