



Slogan Contest creates awareness about eye care



Times NIE in association with Disha Eye Hospitals held a state-wide slogan writing competition recently. Keeping in mind the new method of online studies and the constant viewing of mobile and computer screens, the theme of the competition was "Eye-The Window to a Better Life" where students were

asked to send in their entries on why our eyes are important within a maximum of 25 words.

The contest was held in two categories : Group A for classes VI to VIII and Group B for classes IX to XII. More than 5000 students from over 25 schools participated in the contest where they expressed their creativity through

meaningful self-composed quotes and short verses.

Revealing that this was the first time they had organised such a slogan contest for students, Dr. Debasish Bhattacharya, chairman and managing director, Disha Eye Hospitals, thanked The Times of India and the over 5000 participants for their expertise in this wonderful contest.

"Working with the future citizens on such a noble issue was a very satisfying experience for us at Disha. Most of the slogans were eyeopeners and selecting the best of bests was an uphill task."

His message to the youth of today was, "In the world of digital technology, we are drowned in information but

are shrinking in wisdom and humanity. We appreciate that this effort from all of us has decluttered information and invited humanity for a more beautiful life, precisely."

The top five winners from each group have bagged exciting prizes. All participants will receive a free eye check up at Disha Eye Hospitals.

GROUP A

WINNERS

1st PRIZE

*Useless to the dead,
Priceless to the blind,
Eyes neither die,
Nor do they lie.*

- Monojit Banerjee, Class VI, Ruby Park Public School

2nd PRIZE

*Two eyes to care
And if not
Then none to share
A person with no eyes
With whole world he sees black
Dies twice.*

- Prachya Majumdar, Class VII, Vivekananda Mission School

3rd PRIZE

*Let's learn to express with our eyes,
Because those sweet smiles
Will remain wrapped under the masks,
Courtesy Corona files.*

- Ansh Manchanda, Class VI, Sri Sri Academy

4th PRIZE

Eyes: The frontline warriors of our heart and soul.

- Abhigyan Choudhary, Class VI, Birla High School

5th PRIZE

*Life without Eyes is like
Burgers without Fries.*

- Ranggan Bhattacharya, Class VII, DPS Ruby Park

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*Just like roots enable
a plant to grow into a
beautiful tree, nerves
inside our eyes
enable vision, opening
the path to this beautiful world.*

- Purbesha Mondal, Class VII, St. Xavier's Institution

*Our aspiration, our soul;
Our life, our goal:
Auspicious blessings come
with the divine light;
Which enters through
the windows of eyes.*

- Saraswat Bhowmik, Class VII, Mount Litera Zee School Howrah

*Save your eyes for a
better tomorrow
Else you forever have
to live in sorrow*

- Manvi Jha, Class VIII, Agrasain Balika Siksha Sadan

*We have two precious eyes.
Always care them very nice.
We should keep it clean and bright.
Get better eyes for better life.
For healthy vision eat Vitamin A.
Don't ignore get it checked by today.*

- Samridha Chakraborty, Class VI, BBIT Public School

You never know the importance of an eye until you lose the vision. Protect your eyes to enjoy, to be awed and enthralled.

- Arunabha Ghoshal, Class VII, Techno India Group Public School, Konnagar

GROUP B

WINNERS

1st PRIZE

Eye can and eye will.

- Soham Ganguly, Class XII, DPS Megacity

2nd PRIZE

*The world is so beautiful I heard
I want to see it
But a little help of yours
I seriously need it.*

- Anubhav Majumdar, Class XI, DPS Ruby Park

3rd PRIZE

*Eyes are very precious. It will
make a weak man mighty and
a mighty man fall. It will fill
your heart or leave you with
nothing at all.*

- Pankaj Agarwal, Class IX, DPS Megacity

4th PRIZE

*God gave us eyes, to see the
colours and the beautiful morning
dew.
Bright shades of Red, White,
Green and Blue.*

*Red for the blood shed by the soldiers,
And White for the peace for which they died.
Green for the nature which has turned pale,
And Blue for the sky, now all grey.
Let's end the wars, and bring back the joy in nature,
Let's be the change, let's be the difference, let's live and let's nurture.*

- Pritika Agarwal, Class XII, DPS Ruby Park

5th PRIZE

*Pass the privilege of vision to
another before you depart and
allow them to view the world
from a new perspective.*

- Srijita Marick, Class X, Indus Valley World School

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*Let your eyes
embolden and illuminate
a million more
eyes to see the new
in the world they
knew before.*

- Abhipsa Mukherjee, Class XII, Techno India Group Academia

*Eyes - our ultimate detector
by being a pair of
Sherlock Holmes and
Feluda together...*

- Samadrita Sharma, Class IX, St. Augustine's Day School, Barrackpore

*The world and its problems
only exists in our eyes, so let
the rays of positivity touch
our shining soul through our
glittering eyes amidst the
darkness around.*

- Kausani Pyne, Class IX, Gokhale Memorial Girls' School

*Learning through your
own vision is
The best education possible*

- Ahana Datta, Class XI, Shri Shikshayatan School

*Don't let your vision fade,
Or else you will miss the
colour shade.
Don't let your vision fade,
Or else your world will
desaturate.
Don't let your vision fade,
Go lend yourself an aid.*

- Harsh Patel, Class X, Holy Rock School

St Augustine's Day School, Shyamnagar holds virtual investiture ceremony

On August 4 the students of St. Augustine's Day School, Shyamnagar, along with their friends and families attended a one-of-its-kind virtual investiture ceremony of the student council for the session 2020/21. This was an event that was reflective of the ground realities during the Coronavirus pandemic.

Organized on the Google Meet platform, the event was aimed handing over charge to the present student council from the former student council body, and boosting their morale in the face of the continuing uncertainty caused by the pandemic. Due to the Covid-19 outbreak, the in-person investiture ceremony had to be cancelled this year, but that did not stop the St. Augustine's management from putting up an excellent show.

Notable figures like the guest of honour for the event, IPS officer Debasish Borai, and the editorial head of Times NIE, were present virtually alongside other distinguished dignitaries including the CEO, Amitava Chowdhury, president of the institution, Janet Gasper Chowdhury, principal AD Gomes and other guests and teachers who made the occasion truly special.

There were over 150 students and teachers from the senior school who witnessed this unique programme as the present class XII students took over the charge of the student council body from the previous class XII students and

promised to abide by the school rules to carry out their duties fruitfully and ultimately contribute towards the progress of the school.

The newly elected student council include school captain Sagnic Basu and vice-captains Ritam Dey and Tisha Gupta, along-

side two house prefects from each house — Abhi Singh and Zaid Jamal from Netaji House, Sneha Ghosh and Shalini Roy from Vivekananda House, Anandan Biswas and Manir Ranjan Kundu from Tagore House and Soumi Paul and Suvangi Sur from AJC Bose House.

The St Augustine's management also held the same programme for the junior prefects for the middle school from class VIII and also Sunbeams (prefects from the primary section) to build impromptu leadership skills from the basic level. The best part is that everything was held online.

As the school vision suggests, "With the winds of change we aspire to create a learning environment, inculcate values and promote all round excellence to build global citizens", the online celebration cheered the students' morale up, given the fact that the students have been through a chal-

lenging time and have shown tremendous resilience. These testing times call for unique leadership skills and the student council has taken an oath to stand strong against every obstacle and lead the way for their peers and juniors alike towards a better tomorrow.

- Ritam Dey

