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PROFESSIONAL AND CAREER ORIENTATION OF STUDENTS IN PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Keywords: Professional development of students, Program of Work, Change, Career guidance, Market place

Introduction

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Professional and Career Orientation of Students in Primary School

The model is based on the constant and appropriate support of students in professional and career guidance, which contributes to the acquisition of skills, competencies and knowledge that are needed for jobs that are current on the labor market. The implementation of the model in OOU “St. Kliment Ohridski”- Bitola has contributed benefits for both teachers and students in the direction of acquiring new knowledge about work tasks, thus contributing in a direct and indirect way to reducing the unemployment rate from the earliest years. Companies benefit by contacting students who could be recruited after they complete their secondary education and open up new opportunities to influence the content of career guidance schemes and preparatory vocational education.

Phases of the Model

As stages of this way of organization and professional and career guidance of students, the authors point out:

1. Creating partnerships with businesses.
2. Creation of a Curriculum and Annual Plan that focuses on the development of skills and teaching of students for the current demand of the labor market.
3. Implementation of the Curriculum and Curriculum. It also includes trainings for students, teachers or representatives from local employment centers.

1. Creating partnerships with businesses. To start the whole process, the first thing primary schools need to do is to complement existing partnerships with local businesses with new partnerships, expanding the range of available professions/organizations. The first main objective is

to create local/regional networks of schools and businesses, secondly common and homogeneous curricula, moving from a local and regional to a European context. Businesses should regularly host a small group of learners for a few days for 'practical observation' or 'work skills observation'. Here students will receive a demonstration or be able to follow one or more employees on a regular working day. Businesses will receive guidance from the teachers in charge to ensure that their contribution is effective. This will be done through joint meetings and meetings before the start of the 'skills days'.

2. Creation of a Curriculum and Annual Plan that focuses on the development of skills and teaching of students for the current demand of the labor market.

After their creation, the Program and the Curriculum are adapted to the teaching subjects in class and subject teaching, appropriate to the age and abilities of the students.

3. Implementation of the Curriculum and Annual Plan. It also includes trainings for students, teachers or representatives from local employment centers. It is the job of the teachers to guide the students as they choose which businesses/branches they want to focus on. Teachers should focus on students' skills and competencies and their personal desires. teachers work in close contact with local project partners to ensure that their work is in line with the objectives of the program itself.

Curriculum for Professional and Career Orientation of Students

The Curriculum covers all classes of primary education according to developmental periods. In each development period there are special goals, activities and results, from which the work program is derived. In the first period, grades I-III, professional guidance is implemented in the various subjects, through the presentation of the same, visits and lectures by parents who have different professions, as well as visits to various institutions and organizations and explanations of some of the jobs. The second period continues with visits, but now the professions are considered in more detail and an electronic catalog of professions is made, which the students create. While in the last period there is a survey of the students about their interests, research and observation of certain workplaces in cooperation with the local community.

Table 1 shows the Curriculum which has been supplemented and improved and applies to students from grades I-IX. It has been improved through research and work during the previous school years. As such, it is part of the school's Annual Work Program.

Annual Plan for Professional and Carrier Guidance of Students

Table 2 represents the Work Plan that emerged from the Curriculum and is divided by months and classes where the activities are carried out by the team of teachers. The purpose of vocational and career guidance for students in primary schools is to help them decide to continue their education and to focus on the jobs that would best suit their interests and abilities. There must be no mistakes in the direction, because a poorly chosen school or workplace leaves very big consequences in the future life and work. It is precisely for this reason that this program was developed, in which the long-term experiences and work, as well as the knowledge and skills acquired through the implementation of international projects in the field of professional and career guidance of students in elementary schools, are sublimated.

Conclusion

This way of organizing the professional and career guidance of students leads to higher quality education in schools, which will improve the qualifications and competencies of students for work in various industries and organizations, thus enabling greater opportunities on the labor market. Communication between the involved teachers will open their view to this problem and create a greater sensitivity to the needs dictated by the labor market.

Table 1

| CURRICULUM FOR PROFESSIONAL AND CAREER GUIDANCE OF STUDENTS | | | | | | | |
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| <p>EXPLORING POSSIBLE CAREER AND PROFESSIONS IN RN MACEDONIA AND EUROPE</p> <p>WHAT IS MY PROFESSION</p> | <p>CONDUCTING A SURVEY ON FUTURE PROFESSIONS BY STUDENTS</p> <p>SUBLIMATION OF RESULTS</p> <p>EXPLORING OPPORTUNITIES</p> | <p>Visiting different professions and talking with experts in the fields.</p> <p>Active involvement of students in the research of future professions.</p> <p>Students reveal their interests in relation to the profession. Social inclusion of all students equally.</p> <p>Implementing the chance in the school curriculum.</p> <p>Improving students' view of jobs.</p> <p>Innovation of students' work.</p> | <p>The curriculum becomes visible and practical.</p> <p>More time spent in organization and experts with different fields.</p> <p>Students become researchers.</p> <p>Students discover the possibilities of the profession.</p> <p>Improvement of the curriculum for the work of the school.</p> <p>Students become aware of different jobs.</p> <p>Active role of students in researching the possibilities for professional and career guidance.</p> | <p>The school becomes an innovative school in the field of career and professional guidance of students.</p> <p>Cooperation with the local community is improving in the direction of improving the career and professional guidance of students.</p> <p>Improving students' skills and knowledge regarding future professional and the choice of secondary schools.</p> <p>They become more and more aware of the opportunities offered by jobs and start to think differently.</p> <p>Activating the career corner.</p> <p>Professionals from the local community are part of the career corner.</p> <p>Students from VIII and IX grades become role models for their peers.</p> |
| <p>GENERAL OBJECTIVES AND TEACHING PREPARATION</p> | | | | |
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| <p>OBJECTIVE 1 FAMILIARITY WITH DIFFERENT PROFESSIONS IN RN MACEDONIA AND EUROPE</p> | | | | |
| <p>Gaining knowledge about future professions, studying and learning the characteristics and specifics.</p> | | | | |
| <p>OBJECTIVE 2 RESEARCH POSSIBLE CAREERS AND PROFESSIONS IN RN MACEDONIA AND EUROPE</p> | | | | |
| <p>Visiting the most popular workplaces, discovering the real situation in RN Macedonia, discovering career opportunities and discovering their interests according to their abilities.</p> | | | | |
| <p>OBJECTIVE 3 WHAT IS MY PROFESSION</p> <p>Comparison of professions in RN Macedonia and Europe and equal teaching of all</p> | | | | |
| <p>LESSON PREPARATION*</p> | | | | |
| <p>-lectures by parents</p> <p>-role play implemented in teaching subjects</p> <p>-visits to various institutions and organizations</p> | | | | |
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| <p>-survey for students</p> <p>-their direction</p> | | | | |

* The professional and career guidance of the students is carried out with the help of the team of the same name in the school and all activities are integrated in the various teaching subjects, while the visits, research and observations are part of the extracurricular activities and/or the work of the professional assets in the primary schools.

Curriculum of Professional and Career guidance of students

Table 2

Annual Plan for professional and career guidance of students

| PROFESSIONAL AND CAREER GUIDANCE OF STUDENTS | | | | | | |
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| SELF KNOWLEDGE | | | | | | |
| Activities | Objectives | Carriers of the activities | Forms/methods of work | Resources | Expected results | Indicators |
| Realization of workshops | Expressing attitudes and thinking about different professions | Teachers of different subjects, team members | Presentation and debate | Presentations and materials about different professions | Acquiring attitudes and thinking about different professions among students | Statements from students |
| Job simulation | Expression of attitudes and thinking about different professions | Teachers of different subjects, team members | Simulations and discussions | Educational videos and different materials about the professions | Awareness of the work tasks of specific jobs | Completed lists, records of knowledge gained from the simulation |
| Research on professions | Highlighting the characteristics of different professions | Teachers of different subjects, team members | Research and survey method | Surveys | Independent research on professions | Surveys prepared and completed by students, research carried out, records of research conclusions |
| INFORMING AND SEARCHING ABOUT TYPES OF PROFESSIONS AND EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES | | | | | | |
| Activities | Objectives | Carriers of the activities | Forms/methods of work | Resources | Expected results | Indicators |
| Making a student portfolio (my interests/ want to be/decided) | Highlighting students' interests | Students, teachers | List | Portfolios with completed lists for students | Students to know what they want and choose what they want to be in the future | Open portfolios for students |
| Selection of students for testing in cooperation with ESA | Forming a target group | Team for professional orientation | Group and individual work, discussions, conversations | Sheets with information about testing in cooperation with ESA | Selection of a group of students for testing | Number of students sent to ESA |

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| Development of a protocol for a visit to a professional by the students | Highlighting the interests of the students realization of cooperation | Team for professional orientation, students | Group work, discussions and conversations | Materials and examples of work protocols | Protocols made by students | List of protocol, minutes of meetings with students |
| Drafting of a protocol by a professional | Highlighting the key things for the professions realization of cooperation | Team for professional orientation, professionals | Individual conversations | Materials and examples of work protocols | Protocols made by the professionals | List of protocol, minutes of meetings with the professionals |
| Dissemination of students from grade IX | Sharing of practices and experiences of older students with younger students | Professional orientation team, students | Presentation, discussion, asking questions and discussions | Presentations and materials made by students | Presented experiences and practices | Made presentations and materials by students, minutes of the savings |
| Survey "Where would you like to continue your education" | Creating a survey obtaining a list of schools | Team for professional orientation of students | Group work, discussion | Program of work and materials for professional orientation of students | Prepared survey | Completed surveys |
| Creation of lists of future professions according to students' interests | Identification of desired professions | Team for professional orientation of students, students | Group work, discussion | Data from surveys and discussions with students | Created list of future desired professions | Created list of future desired professions |
| Creation of an online catalog for future professions | Highlighting of desired professions with explanations and photos | Team for professional orientation of students, students | Group work, discussion | Data from surveys and discussions with students | Created online of future desired professions | Created online catalogue of future desired professions |
| REAL CONTACTS/METINGS | | | | | | |
| Activities | Objectives | Carriers of the activities | Forms/ methods of work | Resources | Expected results | Indicators |
| Signing of joint cooperation agreements with companies and organizations from the local environment | Emphasizing cooperation with the local community | Team for professional orientation of students | Discussions and negotiations | Memoranda of cooperation | To find and sign the right professionals who will work with the students | Number of signed memorandums of cooperation |

| Interviews with professionals | Explanation of the professions | Team for professional orientation of students | Interviews and conversations | Interviews | Conducting more interviews with professionals and students in order to highlight the characteristics of the profession | Number of conducted interviews with professionals and students |
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| Observation of workplaces | Understanding the specifics of the workplace | Student professional orientation team | Discussions and conversations | Protocols for workplace behavior | Realization of workplace observation and monitoring of the work of professionals during a working day | Number of students and workplace observations places, protocols for student behavior during workplace observation |
| Organizing open days-visiting secondary schools and presenting the desired professions | Promotion of different types of professions and directions by secondary schools | Vocational orientation team, | Director Presentations, discussions | Prepared presentations | Vocations were presented and students were introduced | Number of visits by of secondary schools and the number of students involved in the meetings, minutes and lists |
| DECISION MAKING | | | | | | |
| Activities | Objectives | Carriers of the activities | Forms/methods of work | Resources | Expected results | Indicators |
| Completion of portfolios by students | Highlighting students' interests and inferences about their profession | Students, teachers | Discussions, conversations, debates, interviews, job observations | Portfolios with completed lists for students | Students to know what they want and choose what they want to be in the future | Completely filled student portfolios |
| Making a decision on enrolling in secondary school and choosing a profession | Enrollment of students in secondary schools | Students and the team for professional orientation of students | Conversations | Materials on professions and directions in secondary schools, documentation for enrollment | All students enrolled in secondary school | Lists of secondary schools for enrolled students from our school |
| Evaluation of the procedure and implemented activities | Addition to the program for the next year evaluation of work | Team for professional orientation of students | SWOT analysis | Prepared questionnaire for SWOT analysis | Filling out the questionnaire by teachers and students | Completed SWOT analysis (list) |

It does not mean changing the Annual Programs, but their innovation and adaptation in certain teaching subjects, through the organization of activities in regular teaching and extracurricular subjects. The following are highlighted as benefits that teachers, students and all stakeholders will gain:

- improvement of motivation due to the introduction of quality competencies based on learning and teaching
- encouraging cooperation by creating a common point of interest that provides an opportunity to exchange experiences and work methods
- strengthening of self-confidence, self-esteem, competencies and valued for the labor market. Other aspects related to this way of working are the development of innovative and creative learning experiences; consistency between education provided in schools and student competencies expected by industry, and promotion of collaboration between schools and industry.

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THE IMPACT OF INTELLIGENT LEARNING MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS IN IMPROVING EDUCATIONAL PROCESSES

Abstract: The aim of this paper is to promote ideas for involving a wider use of intelligent e-learning systems in educational processes and highlight their benefits. We analyze the use of current most popular Learning Management Systems, in particular amplified due to the impact of Covid-19 global pandemic. We discuss on their advantages and disadvantages, accompanied by conclusions upon the topic. The main objective is to provide recommendations for overcoming the detected weaknesses in order to benefit the learning processes. We suggest a use of intelligent e-learning systems that include item response theory within. That would personalize the learning process deeper and adjust the content material to the students' personal abilities and their current level of knowledge. Such systems – when carefully created and designed, provide specific personalized student feedback and support the functional knowledge that students gain throughout the learning process. Additional outcome is the adaptation of the corresponding ideas for students with special needs, which would improve their integration into educational processes. The last conclusion is that intelligent e-learning systems can be used for multilevel purposes. The gathered data can be very useful for analyses on various parameters (common students' gaps in acquired knowledge, time management in mastering topics, etc.). All this would lead to curriculum improvements as well as proof oriented based education reforms.

Keywords: E-learning systems, Item response theory, Testing, Educational reforms