# Cultivation Path of College Students' Integrity Values in the New Era

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# Abstract

Honesty is one of the social values in China. It is the basic moral code of citizens. It connects all levels of citizens' moral quality, runs through all stages of our growth, and is contained in all aspects of daily life. It is the moral norm and value pursuit that every citizen should establish, and it is also the basic value standard to evaluate citizens' moral behavior. As contemporary college students, the new force of socialist construction and the successor of communism in the new era, it is very important to have the quality of integrity. This paper puts forward an operable path to cultivate college students' integrity values in the new era.

#### **Keywords**

Integrity; Core Values; Cultivation Path.

# 1. Introduction

The outline for the implementation of citizen moral construction in the new era issued and implemented by the CPC Central Committee and the State Council in October 2019 clearly points out that "integrity is the cornerstone and important feature of social harmony. We should inherit and carry forward the traditional virtue of the Chinese nation to abide by its promise... Carry out special treatment for prominent problems of lack of integrity and improve the integrity level of the whole society." As the backbone of China's future construction and development, college students' integrity literacy is directly related to China's future moral level. Therefore, cultivating and guiding college students in the new era to establish integrity values and promote the all-round and healthy development of college students is of great and profound significance for the future development of our country.

On November 8, 2012, the report of the 18th National Congress of the Communist Party of China classified integrity as a value at the level of personal behavior for the first time, and was incorporated into the socialist core value system, which shows the great value of integrity to today's Chinese people. Integrity is the basic moral quality and basic requirement for a person to establish himself as a society. Confucius said, "if a person has no faith, he doesn't know what to do." it can be seen that without integrity, there is no other moral requirement. If you want to govern his country, you should first align your family, your family, your body, your body, your heart, your heart and your mind. Only by being honest first can we talk about governing the country and stabilizing the world, and can we contribute to the construction of a socialist harmonious society, especially for college students with higher education.

Since ancient times, honesty has been the criterion of our life. Mencius once said that those who are sincere are the way of heaven; Those who think sincerely are also the way of people. The stories of Zeng Zi killing pigs, Ji Buzhong's promise and a promise of gold are well known and immortal. Integrity is a universal value, regardless of region and country. In modern society, with the tide of economic globalization, the importance of integrity is becoming more and more

prominent and has become the value orientation followed by mankind. No matter individuals or corporate entities, only economies that abide by integrity can survive and develop. Only by adhering to integrity can they win credibility and ultimate success in the fierce business war. If the lack of integrity, no matter what the development is, it must be eliminated in the end. College students are the pride of society and a special group of society. They are the future of society. Their historical mission and social responsibility are unmatched by other groups. Therefore, the cultivation of College Students' quality is particularly important. Therefore, if college students have high quality, the development of society will be more healthy[1-6].

# 2. The Importance of Cultivating College Students' Integrity Values in the New Era

Honesty has been the traditional virtue of the Chinese nation since ancient times. Sincerity means to act in good faith with a sincere heart. It means to be honest without deception, keep your promise, match your words and deeds, and be the same as what you say. As early as the pre Qin period, Confucianism put forward the concepts of "honesty" and "faith", and took honesty as the basic requirement of self-cultivation. In the book of rites, the golden mean regards "sincerity" as the nature of heaven Gushi and the core category of etiquette, and holds that the virtue of sincerity is the premise to achieve the realm of "unity of heaven and man"; Xunzi further "honesty" as "the foundation of political affairs"; Zhu Xi, an agent scientist in the Song Dynasty, believes that "faith" is not only the expression of "benevolence", but also the criterion of people's communication. It can be seen that in Chinese traditional thought, integrity is not only a basic ethical concept, but also the basic quality of people's life. Honesty is not only the basic requirement of personal moral quality, but also the necessary condition for social harmony and stability. Cultivating college students' honesty values in the new era is not only the inheritance and development of China's traditional virtues, but also the internal requirement of building a socialist harmonious society, but also the inevitable trend of economic globalization.

#### 2.1. Inherit and Carry Forward the Traditional Virtues of Chinese Culture

The ancients said, "no man can stand without faith." China has always been famous for its ancient civilization and etiquette. Thousands of years ago, honesty and trustworthiness has become our daily basic code of ethics. Confucius listed it as one of the "five permanent members" and passed it on to the world. Zengzi's faith in teaching his son, Shang Yang's standing tree to win the trust, and Ji Bu's promise have been turned into beautiful talk and spread through the ages. In ancient China, honesty includes two meanings of "honesty" and "faith". The original intention of honesty is honesty, truth, self deception and others. It contains the dual meaning of being loyal to yourself and being honest with others. "Honesty is the way of heaven, and the way of heaven rewards honesty". Dishonesty is against the "way of heaven". Here "way of heaven" refers to people's basic moral requirements, that is, "the foundation of life". It is recorded in Shuowen Jiezi that "people's words are faith". It can be seen that "faith" not only requires people to speak truthfully and reliably, but also to do things honestly and reliably. Honesty is a fine tradition of the Chinese nation. "College Students' honesty education takes Chinese traditional virtues."

#### 2.2. The Internal Requirements of Building a Socialist Harmonious Society

In today's society, with the implementation of the credit investigation system, personal integrity is a major issue related to people's livelihood. People who are included in the list of dishonesty are unable to move at present. The report of the 18th CPC National Congress clearly puts forward that we should actively cultivate and practice the socialist core values. The

opinions on cultivating and Practicing Socialist Core Values issued by the general office of the CPC Central Committee further defines the content of socialist core values as: "prosperity, democracy, civilization, harmony, freedom, equality, justice, legal system, patriotism, professionalism, integrity and friendliness." among the four major points at the personal level, integrity still occupies a place, It shows that the society attaches importance to integrity, and as the backbone of future social development, the integrity of college students is a problem that must be solved in building a socialist harmonious society.

#### 2.3. The Inevitable Trend of Economic Globalization

Nowadays, economic globalization has become the mainstream of world development, and in this mainstream, whether natural persons or legal persons, integrity is the top priority. Holding high the banner of integrity can often take the lead, and those who break their promise will eventually be eliminated by the society and the market even if they have enjoyed a good time. In the current international community, cooperation is the mainstream, and integrity is the fundamental guarantee of cooperation. Only by being honest and trustworthy and making promises, can we cooperate closely with each other to maximize interests.

In view of the internal requirements of integrity in the cultivation of College Students' personal moral quality and the important role of today's social development, the importance of Cultivating College Students' integrity values in the new era is self-evident. As the future builders of the country, the cultivation of College Students' integrity values is related to the overall plan of the country.

# 3. The Current Situation and Problems of College Students' Integrity in the New Era

Although the integrity of college students has a far-reaching impact, in real life, the integrity of college students is worrying. The problems mainly lie in the following aspects:

#### 3.1. The "Unity of Knowledge and Practice" cannot be Achieved

University education belongs to national higher education, and the recognition of integrity by college students with higher education has been universal. However, it is easier to know than to do. College students are still in the "jointing and booting stage", "their knowledge system is not perfect, their values are not stable, their psychology is not mature, their emotion is still immature, their will is still fragile, and they are most vulnerable to influence" in real life, Many college students are difficult to turn their cognition of integrity into practical action, so efficient dishonesty is prohibited repeatedly.

#### 3.2. Ignore the Integrity of Small Things

With the increasing emphasis on integrity in today's society, college students have gradually realized the importance of integrity. In some important academic research, they can use integrity to promote and restrict themselves. However, in daily learning and life, many people are difficult to be honest and trustworthy, such as activities unrelated to learning in class, skipping classes, absenteeism Plagiarism of homework, and even counterfeiting in the evaluation of awards and excellence or poverty identification are common, forming a bad atmosphere, which became rampant for a time.

#### 3.3. Distorted Values

Nowadays, with the rapid development of network technology, the daily life of college students is inseparable from the network. However, the information on the network is mixed, and vulgar culture is popular. The university stage is still a key stage in the shaping of values. Many college students have been bewitched by some "crooked and evil ways", which has a negative impact

on the shaping of their values. For example, the main force of the popular rice circle culture in recent years is college students. These college students spend money to swipe tickets in order to make their favorite star songs or works on the list, which not only affects the normal market operation, but also sets up an idea for these college students, that is, if their grades are bad, they can cheat. In the future, these college students will enter the society, Will you use similar methods when you encounter similar things?

# 4. The Cultivation Path of College Students' Integrity Values

Although it seems that whether a person's moral values are good or bad is insignificant compared with the whole society, in fact, the two are inseparable. When this bad atmosphere forms a trend, the whole generation will be affected by this atmosphere. When these young people enter the society, Who can guarantee that when it comes to their own interests, these people don't cheat on their achievements like they used to brush their idols? This is not only not conducive to the normal operation of the social market, but also may increase the crime rate. In this way, building a socialist harmonious society has become an empty talk? Honesty is the foundation. If honesty is achieved, other aspects required by morality will come naturally. Therefore, it is urgent to cultivate college students' honesty values. We should start from the following aspects:

#### 4.1. Family: Teach by Example, and Develop a Good Family Style

We often say that parents are our first teachers. In our life education, parents account for a considerable proportion. However, many parents have not received higher education. Most of the education on integrity and morality is based on experience and is not systematic, which may cause problems that are difficult for children to accept or the effect of education is poor, In addition, in order to give their children a prosperous future as possible, many parents are often busy with work, so that children don't have much time to contact their parents, and integrity education is impossible. Therefore, this requires parents to teach by example and set an example on family issues. In this way, the education for children is imperceptible and does not need systematic teaching. Of course, it is not realistic for each parent to learn systematic education methods. In this way, do yourself well in the process of contact with children, such as Zeng Zi killing pigs and raising children is a good example. Open the files of many college students' homicide cases in recent years, many people are because their parents neglected their children's education when they were young, resulting in the distortion of their children's character, and finally embarked on a road of no return. Therefore, in the cultivation of integrity values, parents and families are indispensable.

# 4.2. Teacher: Cultivate Excellent Style of Study by Moral Education

In the education of college students, teachers are also the backbone, and the main body of teachers is of great significance to integrity education. "Learning from a high school is a teacher and being a model" is the words of Mr. Tao Xingzhi, a famous educator. The so-called "learning high as a teacher" means that teachers need a wide range of knowledge and excellent educational and teaching skills. The so-called "being a model" refers to that teachers need to have noble personality charm, and teachers' words and deeds are the moral norms that can be referred to by students. This sentence is the most concise and accurate summary of teachers' professional ethics. The so-called "teacher, so preaching is also to dispel doubts". Now many teachers only pay attention to "teaching and dispelling doubts", but forget that "preaching" is in the first place. Of course, to ensure that teachers can provide students with good moral and academic education, we must first ensure the purity of the teachers themselves. In 2018, the case of graduate students jumping from a building in Wuhan University of technology exposed the teacher's ethics to the public. Because of this case, many graduate tutors across the country

were exposed to serious lack of teacher's ethics. As the saying goes, "forging iron needs to be hard." in order for teachers to provide good education to students, we must ensure that teachers' own quality is excellent. While ensuring the purity of teachers, the government also needs to take the lead to call on schools and teachers to carry out moral education and improve the moral level of college students, so as to cultivate the integrity values of college students.

On the other hand, the students who have been influenced by this will be the inheritors of the spirit of integrity and become the most vivid example force when they walk on the campus, go out of the campus and enter the society. For the surrounding people and society, they are all positive energy emitters. In the long run, the prosperity of the country can be expected.

#### 4.3. Schools: Crack Down Severely and Improve the Supervision System

Many local colleges and universities and colleges have the problem of imperfect system supervision. Students cheat in exams, cheat in awards and excellence evaluation. Without a perfect supervision and management system, they may not be able to find out file fraud. Some even find out and do not seriously deal with it. A university in Beijing even had a farce in which students stole computers, projectors and other equipment, which was investigated and dealt with by the public security organ and reported to the school leaders, who refused to admit it. It can be seen that many colleges and universities, whether pre supervision or post supervision, have quite serious problems and loopholes. These problems are also one of the culprits of College Students' difficulty in establishing integrity values. The cost of violating the regulations is low and the success rate is very high, which will induce many people to go astray. The Ministry of education should cooperate with local education departments to put forward corresponding management plans and unified management according to different local specific conditions, so as to avoid many similar events.

# 4.4. Society: Cooperate With Each Other to Build a Harmonious Society

We should create an honest social environment. "Integrity education can not be achieved overnight. It is a systematic process that needs to be transformed for a long time and permeated in many aspects. This process not only needs to give play to the subjectivity of the educated, but also needs the participation of objective environmental factors." among the objective factors of College Students' integrity education, the social level is absolutely essential. We should vigorously promote the cultivation and practice of socialist core values, strengthen citizens' moral quality education, and create a correct moral atmosphere. On the other hand, "market economy is a kind of credit economy. With the continuous development of socialist market economy, people enjoy the huge economic benefits it brings. At the same time, money worship and hedonism also breed in the temptation of interests, and the phenomenon of dishonesty is becoming more and more common." the state should improve the relevant supervision, supervision and punishment measures of credit economy, and issue corresponding laws and regulations, To guide the behavior of the public with the power of law, only when the law is not punishable, the social atmosphere of good faith can be truly formed.

Honesty is not only a noble personal character, but also related to the interests of others, and even related to the stability of the whole society. At any time, integrity is related to the fate of individuals, collectives, groups, enterprises and even the country. The fundamental to strengthen the construction of integrity is to implement integrity into every citizen's daily life and run through the process of practicing socialist core values. Therefore, the construction of integrity should be persistent, multi-channel and multi-channel, effectively strengthen the integrity concept of every citizen, stimulate the integrity awareness of every citizen to the greatest extent, and create a good family and social atmosphere in which everyone speaks of integrity. The majority of young people are the successors of the country. Under the influence of a good atmosphere, it is an inevitable result that they develop the good habit of speaking good faith.

# 5. Conclusion

In short, the cultivation of College Students' integrity values in the new era is a major plan related to national development and social progress. To achieve the final goal, we still need the joint efforts of all sectors of society. "It's a long way to go". Only when all of us take action and "seek from top to bottom", will the integrity values go deep into the heart of every college student, Better build a socialist harmonious society and contribute to the future of the motherland.

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