

College Vision

Nurturing a holistic person through harmonious development of the body, mind and spirit.

College Prayer

Om bhur bhuvah swah. Tatsavitur varenyam.

Bhargo devasya dhimahi. Dhiyo yo nah prachodayat.

O God! The Giver of Life, Remover of pains and sorrows,

Bestower of happiness and Creator of the Universe, You are most Luminous, Pure and Adorable.

We meditate on You. May You inspire and guide our intellect in the right direction. (Yajurved 36. 3)

Om vishwani deva. Savitar duritani parasuva.

Yad bhadran tanna asuva.

O Lord! The Creator of the Universe! Remove all forms of vices and sorrows from us.

Give us good qualities.

(Yajurved 30. 3)

Om sahana vavatu, sahanau bhunaktu.sahaviryam karava vahai.

Tejaswina vadhitamastu, ma vidwisha vahai.

O God! Let us all unite and protect ourselves.

Let us provide service to others and let our studies be beneficial and effective.

Let there be no hatred amongst us.

(Taitiriye Aranyak 8. 1)

Om Shantih Shantih Shantih

O God! May we have spiritual peace.

May other beings and the environment (nature) give us peace.

Namaste

I pay my respect to you.

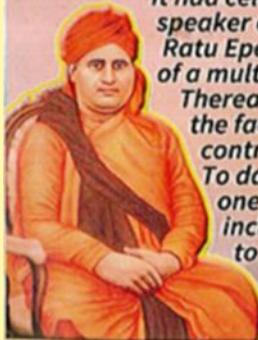
School History

In an era of racial discrimination, in 1952 when access to education for Indo-Fijians was difficult, the Sabha stood up for its community in Suva by establishing a College to cater for the rising demand. Pandit Ami Chandra Vidyalankar headed the institute as the first Principal.

The school started with a minor roll of 40, drastically rising to 80 just within a week and kept on growing since then. It was not all a bed of roses since difficult times had to be endured in the form of a devastating hurricane, space problems and the aftermath of a world war. The area today known as Dayanand Nagar was not easily attained.

All this effort did not go unnoticed and honourable dignitaries such as His Excellency, Sir Ronald Garvery, KCMG, The Governor of Fiji at that time, congratulated the Samaj for its effort for setting up an institution which was fully equipped and would later progress into a University College. He can be rightfully quoted as saying "One of the dreams of Pandit Ami Chandra, the first principal of the college has been fulfilled".

Jubilation followed congratulations when the very ground was named Dayanand Nagar and with a \$24,000 grant from the government, started to progress and never looked back. After 8 years of continuous labour, the building for male students was made and named D.A.V Boys College. Later on as demand increased the door was opened for all genders and the college was renamed as D.A.V College in 1996.



It had celebrated its Golden Jubilee on a very large scale and was honoured by the then speaker of the House of Representatives, the former President of the nation Honourable Ratu Epeli Nailatikau. After the golden jubilee D.A.V embarked on a quarter million project of a multi purpose stadium which glorifies the college in the entire neighbourhood.

Thereafter, neither the number of students nor the buildings stopped growing, despite the fact that on the time of establishment there was no system of government contributions.

To date, despite such a humble beginning the college has become one of the largest, level one secondary schools in Fiji. It has up to Year 13 classes offering a variety of subjects including TEST. Despite the achievement of so many dreams, the Sabha has not decided to stop yet and there is hope that one day D.A.V will develop into a university college.

Against all odds the Sabha stood tall and has produced in half a century, a large mainstream multi-racial urban school and imparts academic, religious, cultural and values education to all its students.