



Good Practice 6: Open Schools Programm Nadácia otvorenej spoločnosti / The Open Society Foundation Author/s: Alena Valjašková Institution: Qualed

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Good Practice 6:

Slovakia



Description

The Open Society Foundation runs a program called "Otvorené školy/Open schools". The aim is to support the democratic environment in schools and citizenship education through peer education and the work of student school boards. Program takes place in five Slovak primary schools in the school year 2020/2021. Trained volunteers systematically work with each school during the school year. These not only hold workshops in the classes involved; their role is also to actively work with student school boards, to monitor their work during the school year, to support the active and meaningful participation of their members in the running of the school and thus to create the preconditions for the sustainable functioning of these bodies of school democracy. Three reflections from schools involved in the "Open Schools" program are included in the online publication "What John Amos would say?": https://osf.sk/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/Co-by-na-to-povedal-Jan-Amos_-final.pdf

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- Openness
- Transparency
- Free choice
- responsibility
- Tolerance
- Mutual respect
- Acceptance
- Dialogue
- Non-conflicting nature
- Activity

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Problems identified

Activities with aim of learning about openness, dignity of individuals..



Peer education and education through the work of student school boards.

Results achieved

Published researche about Youth radicalisation in Slovakia.

Pictures



Source/link

More information about the good practice is available under the following links: mainly in the Slovak language: <u>https://www.osf.sk/</u>

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