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Success Story



THE NEW TULIP INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

Location:

Ahmedabad, Gujarat, India

Program enrollment:

1000 students per year

Success Metrics:

- 98 percent student pass rate on MOS exams
- Preparation for further study
- Internationally-recognized credential



MOS CERTIFICATION PROGRAM STRENGTHENS CURRICULUM AND STATURE OF THE NEW TULIP INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

CHALLENGE

Tulip Charitable Trust founded The New Tulip International School in India in 1996, with a vision to teach international standards under one roof and to enable students to face global challenges. Today Tulip is a model school in Ahmedabad, Gujarat with another successful branch in the United States in California.

Tulip operates on the belief that the fundamental role of the school is to inspire students to become lifelong learners and successful global citizens. The educational perspective at Tulip, combined with the dedicated teachers, staff, students and parents have won a reputation for academic excellence and personal achievement.

Since academic excellence is the prime focus at The New Tulip International School, the school administrators sought to launch a development program to equip students with 21st century technology skills.

SOLUTION

The Tulip Managing Board researched certification programmes and quickly decided to help their students to master the world's most popular software suite – Microsoft Office. Therefore Tulip chose to implement the only official Microsoft Office certification program, Microsoft Office Specialist (MOS). Tulip partnered with CyberLearning, Certiport's partner in India, to deliver the certification program.

Tulip immediately integrated MOS into their existing curricula by embedding desktop computing into all programs. The program was focused on accelerating students' progress while helping faculty to strengthen the substance and value of the curriculum, especially in technology courses. The new curriculum included practical training and mock test sessions on the full features and functionality of the Microsoft Office suite.

CyberLearning appointed The New Tulip International School as a Certiport Authorized Testing Center for MOS, allowing them to provide training and certification to students on campus. All students were trained to take the MOS exams in six months with 45 minutes of training per day. Tulip utilized an audio eLearning course powered by CyberLearning and Certiprep preparation materials from Certiport. Finally, students were given one to two weeks of practice time as needed before taking the final certification exams.

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– **Yogesh Shridhar,**
Chairman and Managing
Trustee, The New Tulip
International School

RESULTS

Tulip achieved a 98% success rate, which is amongst the top in India. Each year hundreds of students will go through the program and earn the MOS certification. Having earned the MOS certification, students can use the internationally-recognized "Microsoft Certified" logo on their resume and they are better prepared to achieve their academic and career goals in the future.

Certified students at Tulip are now able to complete assignments in a much shorter time frame due to their competency with Microsoft Office tools. They can focus on the end results of assignments, rather than the tools used to accomplish the task.

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To learn more about Microsoft Office Certification, visit: <http://www.certiport.com/mos>.

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