Research on the Path of Integrating High School Ideological and Political Education with the Red Rock Spirit

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Abstract: The spirit of Red Rock is an important part of the spiritual pedigree of the CPC, and it is also a distinctive regional red culture. Its ideological connotation and educational value are extremely rich. High school ideological and political courses are the main courses for implementing moral education. The integration of the Red Rock Spirit and high school ideological and political courses is of great significance for us to cultivate new talents of the times and strengthen ideological and political education.

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1. Foreword

The spirit of Red Rock refers to the revolutionary spirit formed by the CPC in the revolutionary practice of the Kuomintang ruled areas. It is not only the embodiment of the fine tradition and style of the CPC in the specific historical environment, but also an important part of the spirit of the Chinese nation. The spirit of Red Rock embodies a patriotic spirit of solidarity, a rock solid ideal and belief, a persistent spirit of struggle, and an indomitable spirit of righteousness. These noble qualities are reflected in the formation process of the Red Rock Spirit, in the revolutionary struggle of Communist Party members, inspiring generations of young people to bravely lead and constantly move forward.

2. Definition of the Connotation of the Red Rock Spirit

2.1. A strong sense of patriotism

The people of the CPC have a deep feeling of family and country. One important task of high school ideological and political education is to inherit and promote the red cultural genes, which is also the driving force for promoting the reform of political education teaching. During the Anti Japanese War, in the face of the enemy's separatist conspiracy, the Southern Bureau represented by Zhou Enlai, under the correct leadership of the Party, united all forces that could be united, firmly stood firm in the position of the Party and the people, and bravely explored difficult situations. At a time of national and ethnic crisis, Communist Party members devote themselves to the revolutionary battlefield without hesitation, shouldering the great mission entrusted by the people and the times. This is a profound reflection of a person's responsible patriotism.

2.2. Having lofty aspirations

"Ideal and belief are the spiritual 'calcium' of Communist Party members. Without ideal and belief, or if ideal and belief are not firm, the spirit will lack 'calcium' and one will suffer from osteoporosis." This clarifies the importance of ideal and belief. In the arduous revolutionary era, ideals and beliefs were the driving force that guided Communist Party members and countless people with lofty ideals forward. The unwavering ideal and belief are the political soul of the Red Rock Spirit. In the turbulent revolutionary war era, the main reason why the predecessors of Red Rock were able to overcome difficulties and obstacles on the thorny road was their firm ideals and beliefs. They firmly believe in Marxism, have faith in communism, and are absolutely loyal to the Party and the people. Faced with the arrival of danger, revolutionary predecessors still steadfastly fought on the forefront line with full revolutionary enthusiasm and dedication to the revolution, because they firmly believed that the revolution would eventually succeed. It is with full confidence in the path of the Bright Revolution that the Southern Bureau insists on closely linking Marxism with the revolutionary practice in the areas under the rule of the Kuomintang, creatively implementing the line, principles, and policies of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, and making outstanding contributions to achieving national independence and the liberation of the people.

2.3. The unwavering courage to move forward

Strive to create the future, unite to help move forward. The fighting characteristics of the Red Rock Spirit are mainly reflected in the excellent style of diligence, thrift, hard work, and perseverance of Party members and comrades in the Southern Bureau, as well as the spirit of being brave and fearless of difficulties. During the Anti Japanese War, the Communist Party members in the rear areas faced extremely difficult environments and living standards, with scarce resources and insufficient supplies. However, they still persisted in carrying out work on the front line and dedicating their lives to the revolutionary cause. Cadres lead by example, sharing the joys and sorrows with their comrades, advancing and retreating together. The Communist Party members persisted in fighting during the eight year long Anti Japanese War, which is a vivid manifestation of their indomitable and unremitting spirit of struggle. During this period, no matter how tempting the enemy may be, they cannot stop the revolutionary struggle will of the Communists. The revolutionary predecessors of Red Rock faced temptation and
2.4. A sentiment of indifference and clarity

Maintaining revolutionary integrity is an important experience and distinctive feature of Comrade Zhou Enlai in his struggle against the Kuomintang regime, and it is also a reflection of the personality of the Red Rock Spirit. Zhou Enlai repeatedly reminded party members and comrades engaged in secret work to always maintain high integrity, adhere to bottom line thinking, adhere to the ideals, beliefs, moral character, and professional ethics of communists, and achieve the goal of "sharing the same current but not being polluted." 2. The true nature of communists is to uphold righteousness and have a sense of responsibility. Mencius once said that a great man should have a noble and upright demeanor, and be able to stand between heaven and earth. The spirit of Red Rock embodies the revolutionary fighting spirit of "going against the current" and "emerging from the mud without staining". In the treacherous and difficult living environment, the ancestors of Red Rock bravely fought hard to achieve the interests of the country, the nation, and the individual. This is a true reflection of the selfless love of the Communist Party, the noble character of keeping oneself clean, and the indomitable revolutionary spirit. After the Anhui Southern Incident, older revolutionaries such as Zhou Enlai made resolute efforts to fight to the end and prepare for sacrifice in order to fully resist the war and cooperate with the Kuomintang and the Communist Party. On the eve of the liberation of Chongqing, Communist Party members and revolutionary soldiers who were imprisoned in the Zhazi Cave and the White House Prison showed no fear in the face of unstoppable danger, and remained steadfast and unyielding in the face of death. These are all vivid interpretations of the heroic and upright spirit of Communist Party members.

3. An Overview of the Integration of High School Ideological and Political Courses with the Red Rock Spirit

The spirit of Red Rock is in line with the value of the curriculum content of high school ideological and political courses, and both bear the important mission of ideological and political education. The integration of the Red Rock Spirit into high school ideological and political education refers to fully exploring the compatibility between the Red Rock Spirit and the curriculum content in high school ideological and political education. By utilizing existing material resources, literature, role models, and other content, a reasonable teaching process is designed to present the Red Rock Spirit in high school classrooms, provide theoretical teaching to high school students, and enable them to intuitively understand the Red Rock Spirit. At the same time, it also enriches the teaching content and increases the fun of ideological and political courses.

4. The Role of Integrating High School Ideological and Political Courses with The Spirit of Red Rock

4.1. Ability to implement teaching objectives for subject literacy

High school ideological and political courses are the core courses for cultivating the political literacy of high school students. The Red Rock Spirit contains rich ideological and political elements, which are closely related to the disciplinary literacy of ideological and political courses and deepen the socialist core values. Fully tapping into the content that aligns with the spirit of Red Rock during the teaching process can better provide ideological and political education to students. The Red Rock Spirit has a profound history, allowing high school students to choose appropriate integration points based on understanding its origins, which can deepen their political identity.

4.2. Sources that can enrich teaching resources

The spiritual carrier needs to rely on a certain material carrier. As a rich resource of red culture, the Red Rock Spirit has specific physical support, such as the novel "Red Rock" that depicts Communist Party members facing death and bravely moving forward, the Red Rock Revolution Memorial Hall, and the red film "Eternal Life in the Fire". It can enrich teaching content, mobilize students' initiative, and inspire their ideological realm. The material carrier of the Red Rock spirit can provide a large amount of teaching resources for high school ideological and political courses. High school students have strong learning abilities and can quickly accept new things. Integrating the Red Rock Spirit into high school ideological and political courses can expand their knowledge depth and also combine knowledge with theory. The outstanding character stories, pictures, videos, films, etc. preserved during the formation of the Red Rock Spirit can be combined with textbook content and displayed in the classroom, which can help students learn theory; Students can also visit scenic spots, which is a reflection of practice and helps them integrate knowledge and action.

4.3. Can cultivate students' patriotism

In the new era, Chinese youth should take it as their own responsibility to achieve the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation, enhance their ambition, backbone, and confidence as Chinese people, and live up to the times, youth, and the earnest expectations of the Party and the people 3. In the face of aggression, revolutionary predecessors deeply realized that national interests were higher than personal interests, and they should prioritize the interests of the country in everything, regardless of personal gains and losses, and do their best to contribute to the defense of the country. High school students are in a period of mental turmoil, full of curiosity about various strange things, easily tempted by external factors and losing themselves, lacking the ability to make the right choices. High school ideological and political courses play a leading role in politics and are the main place for educating students. The integration of the Red Rock Spirit and high school ideological and political courses can enhance the patriotic consciousness of high school students, better play the role of ideological and political education, and safeguard the healthy growth of high school students.

4.4. Can enhance partner awareness

Unity and struggle are the only way to achieve development. The importance of unity is self-evident in the increasingly interconnected modern society. The collectivist spirit contained in the spirit of Red Rock is the magic weapon for us to achieve success. At present, high school students lack a strong sense of unity, individualism is prevalent, and they often focus too much on their own gains and losses,
resulting in a weak sense of collectivity. High school ideological and political courses provide students with comprehensive education, not only imparting knowledge, but more importantly, promoting their healthy growth. The integration of high school ideological and political courses with the Red Rock spirit can provide knowledge lectures to students, enabling them to have a more intuitive understanding of the importance of collectivism. It can help students correctly understand the relationship between the collective and the individual, cultivate their collectivist concept, form harmonious interpersonal relationships, and promote the comprehensive development of high school students.

5. The Way to Integrate High School Ideological and Political Courses with the Red Rock Spirit in Teaching

Ideological and political courses in senior high school undertake the mission of cultivating people by virtue, not only to impart knowledge to students, but also to pay attention to the spiritual cultivation of students. The Red Rock spirit contains rich ideological and political elements. High school politics course is the stage of cultivating students to establish correct world outlook, outlook on life and values. The ideological and political study can not only firm ideals and beliefs, but also make students feel the great guiding role of spirit.

5.1. Carry out extracurricular course reading materials

Historical materials are the best witnesses, and the Red Rock Revolution Memorial Hall also houses Red Rock Revolution cultural relics. These can be classified, combined with pictures and text, and organized into textbooks for students to read, allowing more people to understand the spirit of Red Rock. At the same time, the history of Red Rock can also be used as a theme, and classic examples can be selected to create stage plays. This can be used as a source of teaching materials, allowing students to intuitively feel that the formation process of Red Rock spirit is extremely difficult. High school students have a strong ability to understand words and can use them as extracurricular reading materials. Students will have different feelings during the reading process. Teachers can seize the opportunity to guide students, enhance their ability to withstand pressure and cope with risks, purify their minds, and play a good guiding role in their worldview, outlook on life, and values.

5.2. New teaching methods for red tourism

The spirit of Red Rock contains rich red cultural resources, with distinct representativeness, and has important driving value for cultural construction in the new era. Research learning is an extracurricular teaching method that integrates research learning and travel experience, aiming to enable students to improve their comprehensive abilities through personal participation. Promoting and inheriting the genes of red culture is not only an important task of high school ideological and political courses, but also a source of strength for promoting the construction of high school ideological and political courses. The Red Rock Spirit is a precious archive and historical relic preserved in the Red Rock Revolution Memorial Hall, Geleshan Revolution Memorial Hall, Zhaizidong, and Baigongguan of Chinese red culture. These are excellent teaching bases and provide a carrier for carrying out ideal and belief education. The key to running ideological and political theory courses well lies in the teachers, and the key lies in unleashing their enthusiasm, initiative, and creativity. High school ideological and political courses can carry out red cultural tourism, and teachers can organize students to visit the red base and enjoy teaching and learning. Through systematic explanations by professionals, students have a deeper understanding of the spirit of Red Rock, thereby better implementing ideological and political education in the curriculum.

5.3. Implementing the course philosophy

The 2020 version of the high school curriculum standards clarifies that high school ideological and political courses are key courses for implementing moral education and cultivating socialist values. They aim to help students form the correct political direction, improve their ideological and political core literacy, and enhance their social understanding and participation abilities as comprehensive and activity-based courses. The characteristics of ideological and political courses are close integration with social practice and comprehensive content. The spirit of Red Rock has rich ideological and political elements, with characteristics such as ideological, educational, emotional, and humanistic, and profound educational value. Combining textbook content with reasonable teaching design and integrating it into high school ideological and political education can better promote the value of the Red Rock Spirit. Teaching design should reflect the subjectivity of students, design appropriate teaching methods, and promote their growth. Teachers should combine their students’ learning abilities and choose a way that is suitable for their acceptance. In the first part of the seventh lesson of the third unit of the high school textbook “Cultural Life”, the content of “Eternal Chinese National Spirit” is consistent with the spirit of struggle, unity, and the spirit of Red Rock. Faced with the current situation of material scarcity, the people of Chongqing rely on themselves to create; Faced with difficulties and obstacles, revolutionary soldiers crossed mountains and built bridges when facing water; Happiness is always achieved through hard work. In the face of adversity, one still carries dreams and faces life optimistically, turning their aspirations for a better future into reality; Uniting all the forces that can be united is the key to the victory of the War of Resistance Against Japan. When teaching this lesson, the above content can be combined to appreciate the great national spirit and make students empathize with it.

5.4. Immersive viewing of film and television works

The influence of culture on people is subtle, unconsciously influencing them and forming different value orientations. “The Last 58 Days”, “Blazing Fire Red Rock”, and “Chongqing 1949” are all excellent film and television carriers, which will have a huge impact on the spiritual realm of students. The spirit of Red Rock embodies both a strong sense of patriotism and a correct set of life values; It not only carries the traditional culture of the Chinese nation, but also highlights the ideals and pursuits of the Chinese people; This spirit is worthy of our inheritance. Playing these videos allows students to express their opinions after watching, which is also a way to improve their ideological and political education.
Interest is the best teacher. In teaching, students can participate in theatrical performances and freely choose the roles of revolutionary figures, allowing them to fully immerse themselves and truly experience the charm of the Red Rock spirit of the times.

6. Conclusion

As a red resource rich in local characteristics, red rock spirit has rich material carrier and times value. The ideological and political course in senior high school is the main position of education and the main classroom of teaching. Enhancing the knowledge of red culture in ideological classes can play a role in the effect of classroom thinking and politics, and is also an important platform for expanding classroom resources. The integration of the two is to explore a better teaching path, enrich classroom teaching, and achieve the goal of education.

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