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# EDUCATIONAL DEBATES: IN SEARCH OF THE TRUTH

On October 2, 2018, the Department of Preschool Education held **educational debates on "WILL BEAUTY SAVE the WORLD?"** (the 100th anniversary of Vasyl Sukhomlynskyi birth). Participants of the debate were 4th-year Preschool Education students. The debate was participated by Master's and Bachelor's degree students of "Preschool Education". They were split up in two teams: "Romantics" (Levkivska Inna – VI year, Kovalets Oleksandra and Potikhonchenko Anhelina – IV year) and "Pragmatists" (Pavliuk Yuliya – VI year, Yukhymenko Liliya and Pryimak Inna –III year).

The cheerful and incendiary debate revolved around antagonistic aspects: Extrinsic Beauty (nature) / Law and order; Intrinsic Beauty (spiritual) / Norms of Social behavior; the Beauty of art / Law of the order (pragmatism: a brand and price). The argument aimed at human life, educational principles of influence on the personality and values formation in children. Sincere, relaxed atmosphere encouraged the audience to asking questions to teams. The friendly atmosphere was created by experts: Bondarenko Hennadii Leonidovich, head of the Department of Primary Education, Candidate of Pedagogical Sciences, associate professor; Mashovets Maryna Anatoliivna, deputy director on educational and methodological work, Candidate of Pedagogical Sciences, associate professor; Kosharna Nataliya Volodymyrivna, head of the Department of Foreign Languages and Methodologies, Candidate of Pedagogical Sciences. The teams were judged on the following criteria: informative speeches, persuasive arguments, structuring responses, the ability to give concise and informative answers.

In the penultimate thesis, which brings together the participants of the pedagogical debate was the statement of Vasyl Sukhomlynskyi: "The Important goal of education is to teach people how to live in the beautiful world... To prevent the younger generation has become only a consumer of beauty."

**The moderators of the event:** Bielenka Hanna Volodymyrivna, Polovina Olena Anatoliivna, Kondratets Inna Viktorivna.