

Loyola Students Support Services (LSSS)

LSSS is a service unit dedicated to the welfare and development of orphans, semi orphans, Dalits, Tribals, rural poor, refugees, gypsies, academically weak and differently abled students. It offers management fee concession, free noon meal, supplementary education, special coaching and remedial programmes. Management Fee Concession is offered every semester, through Jesuit Educational Support (JES). JES has been given to 829 deserving students to the tune of Rs.70.17 lakhs in the year 2020-2021. Totally 28 students have been fully sponsored by the alumni and 27 poor students have been provided Tabs/Laptops which helped them for their online classes. Mid-day Meals Scheme offered lunch for 74 deserving poor day scholars. Earn While You Learn Scheme has provided part time jobs to 59 final year students even during the pandemic. LSSS has helped 1418 SC, ST, ADX, Backward, MBC and minority students to avail government scholarship. Art and Literary wing trains students in various folk arts of Tamil Nadu and conducts theatrical workshops. LSSS in collaboration with Alternative Media Center organizes Veethi Virudhu Vizha, two days annual cultural extravaganza since 2013 with 2000 folk-artists from Tamil Nadu.

Accompaniment program

1. English Microscholarship Program:

Access is a student-centered program sponsored by the U.S. Department of State and U.S. Embassies that provides English language skills to underserved students. Access provides participants with a foundation of English language, leadership and professional skills, and exposure to U.S. culture and democratic values that may lead to better jobs and educational prospects, including future exchanges and study in the United States. Access program was started in October, 2018 and successfully completed in the month of February 2021. 60 students were benefitted through this program.

The *goal* of the Access Program is to provide participants with improved English skills that may lead them to better jobs and educational prospects, including future exchanges and study in the United States.

The *objectives* of the Access Program are to equip students with effective English language communication and critical thinking skills through meaningful interaction, cooperative and student-centered learning strategies, interest and age-appropriate activities, and real-life application.

The *service learning* component of the Access Program increases the students' awareness of issues facing their respective communities, while also giving them an understanding of the ways they can positively contribute to civil society.

Access students

- Learnt the foundation of English language skills
- Gained an appreciation for U.S. culture and democratic values
- Developed digital literacy skills
- Participated in personal development activities
- Took part in Service Learning activities

2. XAT Coaching Classes:

This year 20 students have been given intensive XAT coaching in collaboration with LIBA (Loyola Institute of Business Administration). Three students have been admitted in LIBA. One among the three has been selected for a two year Full Scholarship Program.

3. Alumni and other Scholarships:

LSSS expresses sincere gratitude to our alumni (Loyola Economics batch 76', Singapore Chapter, Mr. Andrew Magimai Dass and Ms Hetal P Shah from US chapter, and another collective group from US Chapter), SUMITOMO Corporation of India Pvt. Ltd, CAMS, RKMF, Babalmal Nichani Charitable Trust and Golden Hands for their generous financial support towards our deserving and meritorious students.