

# Ideological and political education in the new era should focus on the cultivation of young people ' s ideals and beliefs

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**Abstract :** As successors to the great cause of socialism with Chinese characteristics, the young people in the new era undertake the important historical mission of realizing the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation. It is especially important to strengthen the ideals and beliefs of the youth in the new era. At present, the ideological and political education should take the initiative to undertake the obligation of youth ' s ideals and beliefs education, recognize the specific dimensions of ideals and beliefs in the new era, strengthen youth Marxist theory and moral education, strengthen the youth ' s cultural self-confidence, cultivate the youth ' s sense of responsibility, and lead the development of the youth ' s youth ideals and beliefs.

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When attending the 100th anniversary of the May 4th Movement, Xi Jinping General Secretary pointed out that “the ideals and beliefs of youth are related to the future of the country. Young people ' s lofty ideals and firm beliefs are the indestructible driving force for a country and a nation. ”

**The three main dimensions of the youth ' s ideals and beliefs in the new era**

Young people of the new era should first have a firm belief in Marxism. The May 4th Movement 100 years ago was an effort by promising young people under the correct guidance of Marxism to save the nation from subjugation and ensure its survival, and the CPC fully proved the scientific of Marxism in its great course of leading China ' s modern revolution and modernization construction. In the new era, Marxism is still more fresh vitality and can point out the correct direction for the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation, This requires that the majority of young people must take the scientific truth of Marxism as the most firm ideal and belief in their hearts.

The youth of the new era must have the lofty ideals of communism. Since the establishment of the Communist Party of China, our Party has always taken the realization of communism as the general goal of all struggles, and has written it into the Party programme, thereby uniting the people of all ethnic group to find a road of self-liberation and development. But we must realize that Marx ' s description of communism is conditional, socialism is the only way to achieve communism. Although we are still in the primary stage of socialism, we will certainly enter a

communist society after a long period of effort, we will inevitably enter the communist society.

The young people in the new era should be firmly committed to the great ideal of socialism with Chinese characteristics. Socialism with Chinese characteristics is the product of the combination of Marxism and China ' s basic national conditions, and it the specific form of the Sinicization Marxism. Under the realistic historical conditions of the new era, the cultivation of young students ' ideals and beliefs must eventually return to the proposition of developing socialism with Chinese characteristics. Firming the great ideal of socialism with Chinese characteristics requires that the youth must achieve the “four self-confidence” . To this end, In the new era, it is also necessary to enhance young students ' confidence in the path, theory, system and culture of socialism with Chinese characteristics, fully support the leadership of the Communist Party of China, and willingly contribute their power of youth to the realization of the great goal of socialism with Chinese characteristics.

**The concrete method to implement ideological and political education in colleges and universities to cultivate young people ' s ideals and beliefs**

Lead young students to actively learn Marxism related theoretical knowledge, enhance their sense of identity with lofty ideals and beliefs. Ideal and belief are the compass for young people to grasp the direction of their lives, but young people must form an identification of ideals and beliefs in order to take them as their faith and strive to realize the ideal and

faith. Firstly, to carry out ideological and political education in colleges and universities, it is necessary to strengthen young students' study of classical Marxist theories, improve their understanding and mastery of Marxist philosophical worldview and methodology, and internalize Marxism into their own spiritual beliefs. Secondly, we should encourage the majority of young people to take the basic principles of Marxism as the guiding ideology, adhere to integrating theory with practice, lofty ideals and beliefs are practiced in practice, and verify theories with practice. Thirdly, leading young students to seriously grasp the profound connotation of Xi Jinping's thought of socialism with Chinese characteristics in the new era.

Gradually enhancing cultural self-confidence can provide continuous strength for the cultivation of young people's ideals and beliefs. In the new era, if the majority of young people want to firm their ideals and beliefs, they must draw on the power of traditional culture to consolidate the emotional foundation of their ideals and beliefs. Cultural self-confidence is a more fundamental, more profound and more lasting force in the development of a country and a nation. therefore, it is evident that firm cultural self-confidence of youth is basic to setting up lofty ideals and firm beliefs. Ideological and political education in the new era must elevate the cultivation of cultural confidence to a new strategic height. On the one hand, we should inherit and spread the excellent traditional Chinese culture and consolidate the cultural foundation of Socialism with Chinese characteristics. On the other hand, we should actively learn from the achievements of human civilization and enrich the connotation of ideals and beliefs of the new era.

Focus on the moral cultivation education of young people, stick to the bottom line of ideals and beliefs. The cultivation of ideals and beliefs requires that young people must have more noble moral sentiments and be able to consciously adhere to their inner spiritual beliefs and value

pursuits. Therefore, ideological and political education must attach importance to the education of moral cultivation of young people. For one thing, it is necessary to improve the level of personal morality of the youth and regard ideal personality as self-pursuit. For another thing, we should promote the public morality level of young Socialism with Chinese characteristics and highlight the lofty goals of ideals and beliefs.

Cultivate young people's awareness of taking responsibility actively, "The Times call for responsibility, and the rejuvenation of the nation is the responsibility of the youth." As the successors of the great cause of socialism with Chinese characteristics, the youth must have the consciousness of taking responsibility initiatively. Since the founding of the Communist Party of China (CPC), generations of young people have taken the initiative to surround the party and actively shoulder the responsibilities entrusted by history, which has made today's achievements. In the new era of socialism with Chinese characteristics, we must rely on the power of youth if we want to achieve the grand goal of the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation. Ideological and political education in colleges and universities must take responsibility as a consciousness to cultivate students and serve as the basis for carrying out rational and belief education. Firstly, we should cultivate young people's sense of responsibility. Secondly, we must cultivate the spirit of youth who are not afraid of hardships and have the courage to struggle. Thirdly, we should cultivate the selfless spirit of young people who are willing to contribute.

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