

# Teachers appreciated through colorful Guru Vandana events by HSS

*Over two thousand teachers and administrators participated in colorful Guru Vandana events organized by the Hindu Education Foundation, an HSS US Project*

ROCKAWAY, NJ, UNITED STATES, June 30, 2025 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The U.S. celebrates the first week of May as "Teacher Appreciation Week" and Tuesday of the same week as "National Teachers Day." Hindu philosophy and culture consider teachers as "Guru" - one who shines and sustains the light of knowledge, rooting out the darkness of ignorance. Numerous teachers enlighten and inspire us throughout our lives in our academic, vocational, and spiritual endeavors. To acknowledge and appreciate them, the [Hindu Swayamsevak Sangh](#), USA (HSS) organized Guru Vandana events under the banner of the [Hindu Education Foundation](#) (HEF). Around 2,200 academicians, including teachers, principals, and superintendents, were honored and recognized during these events, which were attended by more than 10,000 attendees comprising students, parents, and other guests.



Children honoring their teachers in the Hindu way



Teachers enjoying the cultural immersion

In these events, children presented cultural programs featuring Sanskrit shlokas, speeches, and performances, appreciating the role of the Guru in attaining supreme knowledge. Chief guests and teachers shared their thoughts with the audience, followed by a ceremony that honored the

teachers in the traditional Hindu way. Darshana, an educational exhibition on Hindu Civilization developed by HEF volunteers, was also displayed in several of these events. Over 150 local centers (shakhas) and regional chapters across 20 states organized these events, with teenage children and their families taking the lead in planning and coordination. In some areas, the HEF collaborated with local townships and school districts to organize the “Guru Vandana” teacher appreciation ceremonies.



Performances by children celebrating their teachers

Teachers and attendees were impressed with the traditional ceremonies held in their honor. Some teachers particularly enjoyed the Hindu way of performing aarti, which involves applying kumkum to the forehead, offering flowers, and presenting sweets, followed by bowing down in front of the teacher. School teachers especially appreciated this event. They acknowledged their students’ passion and hard work, as well as how this event introduced them to Hindu culture and its inclusive philosophy.

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