

VIETNAMESE TEACHERS' DAY: ORIGIN AND MEANING

As part of the 42nd anniversary of Vietnamese Teachers' Day on November 20, since October, our school has organized many practical and meaningful activities to honor and show gratitude to the contributions of teachers, while strengthening the relationship between teachers and students and creating special marks during the celebration.

Students and Teachers Celebrating Teacher's Day

In Asian culture, there is an idiom that goes, “Một chữ cũng là thầy, nửa chữ cũng là thầy”, which translates to, “Even if someone teaches you just one word or half a word, you should consider them your teacher.” This expression highlights the significant role of teachers and the deep respect students have for them. It is not just students in school who express gratitude; people of all ages reach out to their former teachers to show appreciation for the knowledge and life lessons they received.



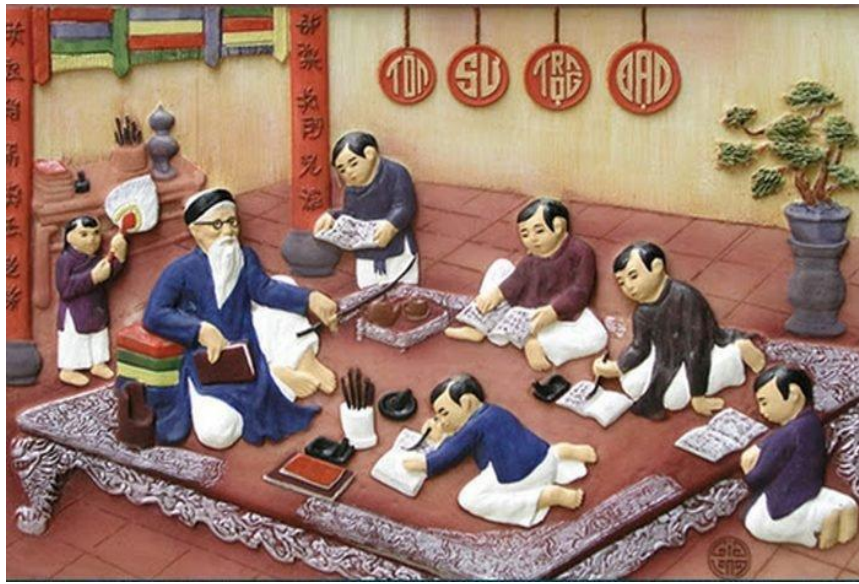
Vietnamese Teacher's Day in the Past



In January 1946, FISE (Fédération Internationale Syndicale des Enseignants), an organization for educational employment, was founded in Paris, France. At the 1949 Warsaw conference, FISE introduced a charter advocating for educators' rights and modern education over outdated systems.

From 26th August to 30th August 1957, fifty-seven countries, including Vietnam, participated in a FISE meeting. Vietnam then chose November 20th as Teachers' Day. The first nationwide celebration occurred on November 20th, 1982, establishing this date as a significant day to honor educators and their contributions to future generations.

How Vietnamese Students and Teachers Celebrate Teacher's Day



In Vietnam, both teachers and students take the day off from classes to attend an annual event celebrating Teachers' Day. During the event, teachers often make speeches on the importance of education for the country's progress, inspiring students to study diligently and strive for greatness. Students also perform, showcasing their talents and adding excitement to the celebration.

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