

The Keynote Speakers

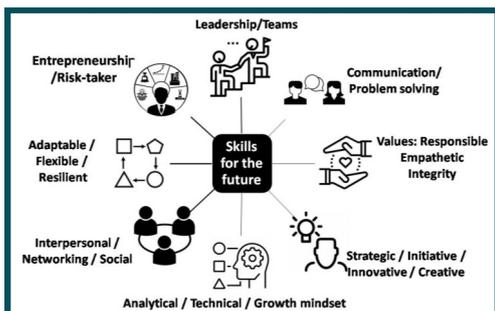
The conclave theme “*Fearless Future Forward*” was explored by 3 keynote speakers, who engaged all delegates in discussions based on *Courage, Generosity and Service*.



Aarzo Nepal, A creative executive who is serving as producer and content writer for Kantipur TV, a leading channel in Nepal, and other media outlets.

Ennio Campoli Patak, is the youngest public speaking teacher at Dale Carnegie, along with being the youngest member of Mensa. He has also spoken at the UN as a youth delegate.

Rafsan M Chowdhury, CEO of Easecom, who graduated from Northumbria University with a degree in law. He is renowned for giving back to his community through virtual events.



Bishwajit Goswami, artist extraordinaire who is the Assistant professor at the Faculty of Fine Arts at the University of Dhaka, Bangladesh. His work has been exhibited worldwide.

Thanks to the academic and debate Judges:
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Youth Conclave

The Class of 2020, 2021 and 2022 came together to set about organizing the first ever CGS Youth Virtual Conclave! Chittagong Grammar School organized a global online summit which was designed to bring together the youth from across the globe in a single virtual platform. They shared their experiences, thoughts and engaged in robust debates, while working in a competitive team format. They also heard from speakers who gave them a taste of unwavering youth empowerment.

Basking Beyond Borders

Courage: Faced with fear, worry, stress, uncertainty, and the new realities of lack of social distancing, online earning, unemployment it is only important to look after our mental and physical health. 'Defeating mental health is one of the greatest acts of COURAGE we need to proclaim during this pandemic. Courage to overcome this all by ourselves is what we need to convey.

Generosity: As we watch the coronavirus pandemic play out on a global scale, it's easy to feel helpless. But no matter who you are or what your situation, you can make a difference. Even if you're quarantined at home, there are still many ways to get involved and give back, including donating money or supplies, volunteering virtually, and checking in on people who might need support. Generosity comes in all shapes and sizes; it is not just about giving to those who are in need, it is just as important to give freely to everyone. Giving back to the community is one of the greatest acts of GENEROSITY.

Service: Health workers are at the front line of any outbreak response and as such are exposed to hazards that put them at risk of infection. Every day, the selfless health care warriors are giving it their all in health-care settings while cutting themselves off from their loved ones. With the SERVICE of health-care workers around the world, the issue has alleviated significantly.



The Team

Shafin Raowan Chowdhury (Chairperson), Ishmam Eshayat, Dipro Prattoy, Yasir Mohiuddin, Maharaj Haider, Syed Sami, Susmit Roddur, Muhtasim Jahangir, Pranta Nir Barua and Syed Nafisa Munawarab worked relentlessly as a tight knit team supported by Mrs. Faiza, Mrs. Rubbayna, and Mr. Zia to pull off an amazing experience for 240 delegates and 3 keynote speakers with 8 different activities.



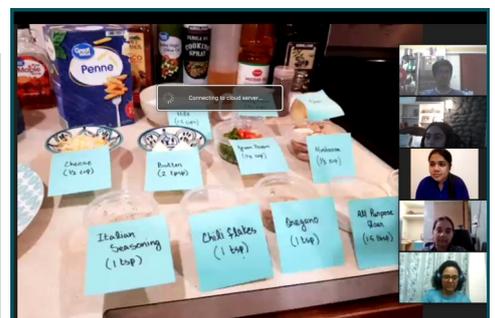
The Activities

The steering committee wanted the conclave to be a mix of fun activities as well as academic content, debates, discussions, team presentations and keynotes.

Academics: All 20 teams had to put their teamwork on display as they worked together on individual presentations on all three academic sessions, which were judged by a panel of academic judges

Art: The participants got to witness the celebrity artist talk about his favorite artworks and art pieces, while also getting to know the inspiration behind them, followed by a “blind” art session. Delegates also participated at a 72-hour art competition judged by the celebrity artist, who had awakened the inner artist in everyone.

Cooking: A truly engaging session where CGS’s own, Faiza Chowdhury, taught participants how to make her delectable pasta recipe, while she won their hearts in the process.



Cultural Night: An entertainment-packed night showcasing the cultural diversity of the participants from all around the globe including singing, dancing, story-telling and much more.

Online Quiz: Developed especially for the conference, the quiz activity was based on reflecting on theme, ‘Fearless Future Forward’.

Debate: The 20 teams were divided into 4 groups of 5 with judges, where each team elected a member to speak on topics related to social media. The winners from the 4 groups then participated in a heated debate in a finale witnessed by all the participants.

The Numbers

- 4 Days
- 8 Activities
- 16 Countries
- 19 Student organizers
- 27 RS Schools
- 61 Participating Schools
- 240 Participants!



Why people dont want to come forward.



- Don't want to worry others
- Don't know how to express
- Embarrassed
- Feel it is easier to just smile
- Don't want to be judged
- Don't know how to reach out

“I had so much fight left in me, I felt the love from people around me and I just couldn't bring myself to end it all.”

Aarzo

The cooking session was followed by a quick chat about comfort food and easy recipes for college students. One of the delegate's comment on the chef: “You are the sweetest Gordon Ramsey of Bangladesh.”

