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Schools asked to develop students' skills

BUSHENYI

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Teachers should help students to develop their skills rather than leaving them to only concentrate on academic work.

The warning was made by Bushenyi district chairperson Jaffari Basajjabalaba while addressing teachers, parents and students of Plus Two High School in Bushenyi district during the school's Brain Challenge day last week.

Basajjabalaba said many schools have concentrated on drilling students to pass examinations.

"Children are naturally talented. We need to help them exploit their talents, instead of restricting them to class work," he observed.



Basajjabalaba handing over a prize to the best student in the brain challenge. Photo by Cris Mugasha

The brain challenge requires students to respond to prompt questions. It encourages them to read extensively in order to keep informed.

Basajjabalaba said a student

can fail class work, but excel in another area. "They have talents which can enable them to survive without loitering on the streets looking for jobs," he said.

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Basajjabalaba hailed the management of Plus Two High School for exposing students to challenges.

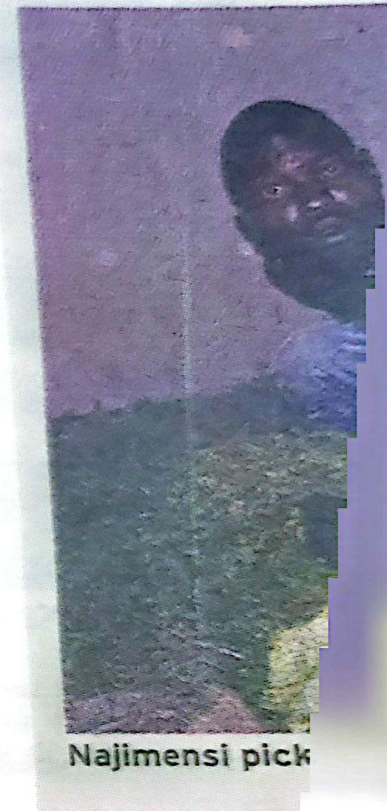
"This will keep them alert and help them make quick decisions," he said.

The headteacher, Marion Ashaba, said the main objective of such activities in schools is to produce students who are knowledgeable.

"We are aware of the global challenges and that is why we are preparing the students," Ashaba explained.

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