

# Investigation and Analysis of the status quo of legal awareness of teenagers in Dezhou city and countermeasures

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## ABSTRACT

Under the background of the comprehensive rule of law, as the hope of the motherland and the future of youth, the strength of its legal consciousness is directly related to the stability and development of the country. Through the preliminary questionnaire among some teenagers in Texas, the statistical method was used to sort out and analyze the questionnaire, and the results of the survey were obtained. This paper studies the research results, analyzes the status quo and existing problems of juvenile legal awareness, and finally puts forward corresponding countermeasures for the existing problems in juvenile legal awareness.

**Keywords:** *Teenagers; Research and analysis; Legal awareness; Statistical methods*

## 1. INTRODUCTION

The 18th National Congress of the COMMUNIST Party of China made major arrangements for comprehensively advancing the rule of law and emphasized the rule of law as the basic mode of governing the Country. The third Plenary Session of the 18th CPC Central Committee put forward clear requirements for promoting the construction of rule of law in China. The rule of law and the construction of a socialist country under the rule of law have become the basic strategy of our country. The foundation of the rule of law lies in the improvement of legal consciousness [1-2]. As one of the important participants in the process of the construction of a country ruled by law, "man" has a direct impact on the realization of the important goal of the rule of law. Only when citizens have a higher sense of law, can they better understand, maintain and implement the laws and regulations of the country. Among Chinese citizens, teenagers as a special group account for a large proportion. As the builders and successors of the country, the enhancement of young people's legal awareness is particularly important, which plays a very key role in the development and stability of the country. At present, the research on the legal awareness of teenagers has been quite in-depth. Many researchers have carried out various investigations on the legal awareness of teenagers, and at the same time, they have given a lot of valuable suggestions on how to enhance the legal awareness of teenagers [3-5]. As a concept of consciousness, the strength of legal consciousness is affected by many aspects, and the strength of legal consciousness in different regions is also different. In order to better understand the status quo of the legal awareness of teenagers in Dezhou city,

taking the teenagers in Dezhou city as the research object, the corresponding questions were set and investigated among the teenagers. The purpose is to understand the status quo and reflected problems of juvenile legal consciousness through investigation, so as to provide solutions.

## 2. RESEARCH RESULTS

In order to investigate the status quo of teenagers' legal awareness in Dezhou city, this paper conducted a questionnaire survey in the early stage. In this research, a questionnaire survey was conducted among some teenagers in various counties and districts of Dezhou city. A total of 844 people participated in the activity. The questions were divided into four main groups. The first set of questions<sup>1~2</sup> aims to understand how much teenagers of different ages and genders know or master about legal knowledge in Dezhou city, the solutions they choose when encountering legal disputes and the current status of legal awareness. The second set of questions<sup>3~8</sup> aims to understand how young people understand legal knowledge and how to obtain it. The third set of questions<sup>9~16</sup> aims to understand the choices young people make when they encounter legal disputes. The fourth set of questions<sup>17~23</sup> aims to understand the willingness of young people to improve their legal awareness and their views on how to do so.

Among the surveyed teenagers, male students accounted for 57.18% and female students 42.82%. The surveyed teenagers are aged 13-25, 13-15 accounts for 21.33%, 16-18 accounts for 38.55%, and 19-25 accounts for 40.12%. The proportion of adolescents who know the law very well is 11.85%, the proportion of those who have some knowledge is 49.88%, the proportion of those who have

some knowledge is 37.09%, and the proportion of those who have no knowledge at all is 1.18%. 39.22% of legal awareness comes from self-study, 50% from school textbooks and only 10.78% from family education. In daily life, only 25.36% of teenagers often use legal means to protect their rights and interests, and 67.54% seldom use legal means to protect their rights and interests. 96.33% of the teenagers hope to improve their legal awareness very much. On the issue of "legal aid", 45.73% of teenagers know it, 9.95% know it and understand it, 36.85% just heard of it and 7.46% are not clear about it. On the understanding of teenagers legal consciousness level, 20.02% of people think teenagers legal consciousness is very strong, know to use the law to safeguard the legitimate rights and interests of oneself, 39.45% of people think teenagers legal consciousness is very strong, but underpowered, 34.36% of people believe that teenagers legal consciousness, lack of correct guidance, and 6.16% of people think that teenagers legal consciousness, influenced by some bad atmosphere in society. The legal consciousness of teenagers came mainly from the classroom of the school education and propaganda, and the news media, think that the present stage our country should be from the organization's legal lecture and popularize legal knowledge, increase the intensity of punishment for illegal crime, law in-depth teenagers heart, learn to use the law to maintain their rights as well as the construction of more rights protection channel, make rights easier, etc, and law-abiding consciousness is deeply rooted in the hearts of the people.

### **3. SUGGESTIONS ON THE STATUS QUO OF JUVENILE LEGAL CONSCIOUSNESS IN DEZHOU CITY**

According to the preliminary survey results, it can be found that most of the teenagers in Dezhou know the law, but about two thirds of them do not often use legal means to protect their own interests, indicating that they do not have a strong sense of rights protection. For teenagers, the factors affecting the strength of legal awareness mainly include teenagers themselves, schools, families, government departments and the society. This paper gives some Suggestions to enhance legal consciousness from these five aspects.

#### ***3.1. To increase the legal knowledge of juveniles***

As the object of consciousness, legal knowledge can only be used to better safeguard their own rights and interests when they go into their study and life, and can also guide their normal behaviors not to violate the law. In the preliminary investigation, it can be found that the legal awareness of teenagers is actually relatively strong. When encountering legal disputes, most of them have the idea of taking up legal weapons to protect their rights and interests.

However, due to the lack of legal knowledge, they lose the motivation to do so. In order to integrate legal knowledge into teenagers' daily life, on the one hand, the legal publicity efforts of the Internet, TV media, newspapers and magazines are strengthened, and some easy-to-understand programs and columns on the rule of law are set up to popularize legal knowledge among teenagers. On the other hand, schools offer elective courses related to law, so that young people can have as much exposure to law as possible. Parents and teachers should analyze some appropriate legal cases for young people, so that they can learn legal knowledge in these cases and learn how to use legal knowledge to protect their own rights and interests.

#### ***3.2. Schools shall strengthen law education for adolescents***

School is the place where young people receive education and learn knowledge, and bears the heavy responsibility of education and development of young people in all aspects. In the survey, it is found that more than 80% of the legal knowledge of teenagers comes from school education, which fully reflects the important role of school education in the development of teenagers. Therefore, if we want to enhance the legal awareness of teenagers, legal education in schools is a very important way. Schools can pass on China's existing legal system and legal knowledge to teenagers through various ideological and political classes such as ideological education and moral education. Schools can also select some legal knowledge and legal cases suitable for teenagers according to their age characteristics and psychological characteristics, and appropriately organize some legal lectures, knowledge contests and simulation scenarios, so that students can truly feel the use of legal knowledge, from learning to practice, and then from practice to study. At the same time, in the teaching process of other courses, students should consciously integrate course ideology and politics into classroom teaching. Through the introduction of some ideological and political cases, students can establish correct world outlook, values and positive outlook on life while learning knowledge. Through the introduction of some ideological and political elements, stimulate students' patriotic feelings and optimistic attitude towards people and affairs. In a word, through school education, students should be guided to be a positive person, try their best to avoid breaking the law, and be a good citizen who can understand the law and abide by the law.

#### ***3.3. Strengthening the legal elements in family education***

In the results of the survey finds that family education in the law of teenagers plays a small role in knowledge acquisition, only 13% of teenagers choose major legal knowledge comes from family, show the legal elements in family education is very lack, this has to do with family

education should play a role in the process of adolescence is not. Although school is the main battlefield of youth education, the role of family education cannot be ignored. In many cases, what parents say and do will directly affect their children's views and attitudes towards things. Parents should consciously guide their children in the process of getting along with their children, strengthen the communication and communication with their children, talk more about some positive things, let the children set up a correct outlook on life and values. More transmission of the right way to deal with things, so that children learn to deal with problems when the right attitude. At the same time, as children's first teachers, their words and deeds have a great impact on children. In order to let the children as soon as possible to understand law and law, not to break the law, can learn to use the law to protect themselves, parents should start from their own, to learn self-discipline, do not do illegal things, treat some illegal behavior to firmly resist, teach the children the correct way to deal with. At the same time, I will transfer more legal knowledge to my children and increase the legal elements in family education.

### ***3.4. Government departments intensify efforts to publicize the law***

Legal departments should consciously enhance citizens' legal awareness and popularize legal knowledge. The publicity of law popularization in national government departments is undoubtedly a very important way. Some government departments (such as public security bureau, procuratorate, court, justice, etc.) to intensify the franco-prussian, according to the requirements of the use of all available resources, to come up with a variety of different ways of law popularization (such as legal preaching, publicity, legal aid, etc.) shall be implemented for teenagers, these departments can according to the actual situation and school cooperation, together to do some legal propaganda activities, such as the seminar about some law, in the process of propaganda and preach, through case analysis law continuously into the life of teenagers, let teenagers can contact and learn not only the legal knowledge, and have the ability to pick up the legal weapons to protect their own rights and interests.

### ***3.5. To reduce the impact of social bad habits***

With the deepening of social informatization and the continuous development of the Internet, earthshaking changes have taken place in people's lives. On the one hand, these information elements bring great convenience to people's life, on the other hand, they also bring some side effects. With the popularization of electronic products and the deepening of the Internet, a lot of bad customs have emerged in the society, such as network fraud, mobile games, gambling and so on. As these undesirable phenomena enter the lives of teenagers, they are affecting

their physical and mental health development at present. In recent years, the proportion of juvenile delinquency is also increasing year by year. Because teenagers are in the forming stage of world outlook, values and outlook on life, if they are not well guided, they are easy to go astray. At present, the state has also taken a series of measures and issued a series of relevant policies in response to this situation, but the strength is not enough. The relevant departments of the state should be ruthless in dealing with these unhealthy tendencies and adopt various policies and measures to purify the social atmosphere, so that young people can have a pure life environment.

## **4. ESTABLISHMENT OF “ONLINE+OFFLINE” LEGAL SERVICE PLATFORM**

### ***4.1. Establishment of online legal service platform for teenagers in Dezhou City***

With the gradual penetration of modern technology into people's work and daily life, the society has undergone earth-shaking changes. More and more simplified work processes and higher quality of life. In order to introduce modern technology into the legal system, improve the legal literacy level of young people, improve the legal literacy. Through the preliminary investigation, it is found that the legal action power of teenagers in Dezhou city is not very strong, for many reasons, one of which is that the legal service platform of Dezhou city is not very sound, compared with some other provinces and cities, the application of modern technology is not much. Therefore, an online legal service platform should be established on the basis of a survey of teenagers in Dezhou city. On the basis of the original network platform, this platform adds WeChat public account, TV media and other information means. Mainly strengthen the infrastructure construction of the network platform to ensure its normal operation and regular security maintenance. The WeChat public account suitable for the basic situation of teenagers is established to popularize legal knowledge to teenagers in real time, and special legal service personnel are assigned to timely answer the legal questions of teenagers.

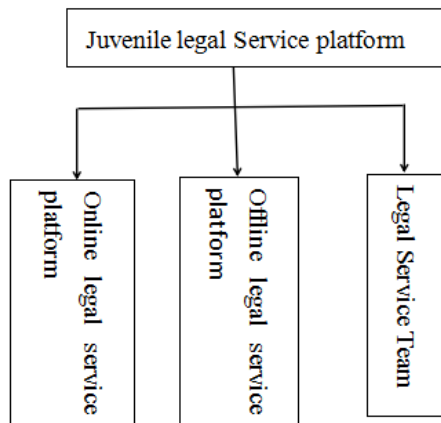
### ***4.2. Establishment of offline legal service platform***

Offline legal service platforms include legal publicity positions and entity platforms. We should give full play to the nurturing role of society, schools and families in educating young people, strengthen the rule of law education and publicity, and solve simple legal disputes for young people. The realization of the strategic goal of

governing the country by law requires that the work of law popularization should be practical and effective.

**4.3. Establishment of legal service platform operation and maintenance personnel team**

After the completion of the infrastructure of the platform, it is necessary to build a service team composed of legal service personnel, legal popularization personnel, auxiliary personnel and maintenance personnel. The team is mainly responsible for platform update and maintenance, legal publicity, legal advice for teenagers, legal disputes and litigation. Through the cooperation of the team, the platform can run normally and play its role in serving teenagers.



**Figure 1** Legal service platform

**5. CONCLUSION**

The rule of law is an inevitable requirement for building a socialist country under the rule of law. To achieve the rule of law requires the efforts of all Chinese citizens. Teenagers are the future of our country, they undertake the responsibility of building the country. How much of the strength of the legal consciousness and legal knowledge is directly affects the process of governing the country according to law. So whether a region can accurately grasp the present situation of legal consciousness is very important to teenagers. In order to fully understand the status quo of the legal awareness of teenagers in Dezhou city, this paper has formed an investigation report based on the previous research conducted among teenagers of all ages in Dezhou City. From the survey, we can find that the legal awareness of teenagers is relatively strong, but the action power is weak. An important reason is their lack of legal knowledge. Therefore, in view of this situation, this paper gives the corresponding suggestions and countermeasures. It aims at creating a harmonious society and realizes the goal of ruling the country by law through the enhancement of the legal awareness of teenagers.

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