

EHV: Education In Human Values

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EHV: Education in Human Values and Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Learning represent the central focus of [Swami's](#) Mission: Education. Education is the distinguishing mark of humanity. *Sadhana* or piety is education and education is *sadhana*.

EHV is structured by the [Sarva Dharma Symbol](#), the Symbol Swami drew "casually" on the back of an envelope in 1972. Actually, the entire Sai Era -- that is, the universe in the embrace of revelation, redemption and salvation -- is built from the structure this Symbol represents. That structure is the pentagon, with associated pentagram, and underlying Golden or Divine Proportion (Fibonacci Series, etc). The five curriculum areas are: Truth, Righteousness, Peace, Love and Non-Violence, respectively moving right around the [Sarva Dharma Symbol](#) from the top, from OM. These same five translate -- as in [Quintivium: The Integration of Inquiry](#), from [Adwaitha Hermitage](#) -- into Philosophy, History, Government, Industry and Art, OR, counting the callings of humanity, Overview, Teacher/Priest, Ruler/Governor, Businessperson/Farmer, Artist/Laborer.

The five-fold structure arises from the five elemental principles, Ether, Air, Fire, Water and Earth, combinations and permutations of which produce the five senses, from which the universe proceeds. The five-ness is essential to the EHV as to *sadhana* in general.

Country and local organizations of Sai movement build their own EHV curricula and share what they have built. From the start, local control and adaptation, all based on the [Sarva Dharma Symbol](#), has been encouraged.

I would suggest contact with [Brazilian](#), German or [Italian](#) Sai groups for their EHV curricula or with EHV central office at Puttaparthi. [USA](#) EHV groups have done a lot of work.

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