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## Honing Communication and Organizational Skills through Community -based Engaged Learning

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the agenda. Internal funding is available to cover the expenses. One key feature of this experience is physics students need to prepare presentations at two different levels: elementary school students' level and undergraduate level. Physics students do preliminary presentations and receive feedback from the instructor and peers. Their presentations are evaluated using ~~Teachers~~ International speech evaluation criteria

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their reactions are priceless, full of wonder and awe (O'Donnell, 2018). Considering the feedback from both undergraduate students who organized the activity and elementary school students and their teachers who participated, it can be concluded that this particular community

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