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Ignacio Estrada once said “If a child can’t learn the way we teach, maybe we should teach the way the child learns.” There are four main types of learning styles used in the classroom: Visual, Auditory, Kinesthetic and Tactile. Each student is unique and learns differently from one another, which is why we must experiment with different methods and means of presenting information to reach all students. We must be willing to try new things and ways of teaching our students. Technology is a great tool to be used in the classroom which provides a good example of new means of presenting information.

It is important for the students’ parents to be involved with their child and as their teacher, I wish to make it simple and exciting for the parents. There will be parent teacher progress meeting for them to see how their child is progressing and to ask questions, I will have newsletters sent out every week and they are always welcome too come to our class parties, and email or text me at any time.

Respect is a huge part of every person’s life and as an educator of early childhood, I wish to instill strong respectful ways in my students. My students see me as a role model, so if I want them to act a certain way I must model it for them. I set the tone in my class. Our classroom will be bright and joyful with lots of uplifting colorful posters and child’s work on the walls. We will be organized, we will plan, implement, evaluate, monitor and adjust accordingly.

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We are not all the same, some of us have disabilities and/or come from different homes, backgrounds, and cultures. IDEA, IEP, 504 and GATE students are my responsibility and any accommodations, modifications with other needs will be met. I wish to give my students the information they need to understand diversity and differentiation. Neither of those things will cause any problems in the classroom- we are all here to learn. There is a no bullying policy and any bullying in the classroom will not be tolerated. Each child will know that any negative behavior is not acceptable and if there is a problem, the student will apologize. It will be noted and reported.

I believe in holistic learning. Education is not just confined to the classroom, it happens everywhere. Going outside of the classroom peaks the students' curiosity which makes them interested and eager to find out more. I wish to instill lifelong learning, because learning is something that should never end. I have always loved schooling, helping and teaching others. I strive for those "lightbulb" moments in these young minds. I want to help these kids grow and flourish to their full potential.