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Philosophy of Education

Without education we as a human race would be lost. Schools have been around since the beginning of time, whether it be in a traditional class setting that we think of today, or prehistoric schools where mothers taught their children how to do certain tasks in the home. Webster Dictionary defines schools as, “any institution at which instruction is given in a particular discipline.” The role of schools today allow children the opportunity to learn and develop skills they will need as they grow older. It all starts at the Elementary level, specifically speaking, first and second grade. The basic skills they learn in the early developmental period gives them the fundamentals they will use for the rest of their educational career. Schools provide a place where children from a surrounding area can come together and learn their ABC’s, or learn simple math. It not only provides them with valuable educational tools but allows them to interact with children their age.

In a society today that is ever changing it is of the utmost importance that we as future educators have a goal set in place for our students. We should strive to be the best teachers that we can be so that our students get the best quality of education that they possibly can. Teachers must work together to keep a positive atmosphere in the school. I think one of the major problems in our school systems today is that teachers get beat down by circumstances that hinder them from being able to adequately teach. If teachers and administrators made it their goal to seek the students best interest I think schools would thrive. My hope is that as a teacher I can make an impact on the future minds of the world. I want to empower my students to believe in themselves and know that they can accomplish anything that they set their minds to.

Another important responsibility that the teacher holds is making things interesting and fun for the students, while maintaining control of the classroom. The student's responsibility is to obey the rules, respect their peers and the teachers, and try their hardest in their studies. Students must be taught what is expected of them from the very first day of class. It is the teacher's responsibility to enforce her expectation from the very beginning and thereafter. When both of these things happen between teachers and students it can make a learning environment run smoothly and successfully.

Things that we as future teachers may forget about is parents, parents play a huge part in our success as teachers. It is important for us to establish a relationship early on with parents and let them know that the administrators and teachers are looking out for their children. When the teacher and parents have an established relationship, the student is the one who benefits. If the rules enforced in the classroom are being enforced at home as well, the student will learn quicker and be better prepared for class. I know that not all parents are going to be as cooperative as others but it is still my responsibility to make sure that parents are informed, and kept up to date with what their child is learning in my class.

As a future educator it will be my mission to ensure that all the children in my classroom are receiving the same level of attention and treatment from me. I want to make my students feel as if they are at home in my classroom. I will strive to make all assignments and projects inclusive to all groups and backgrounds of students. It is important to me that no matter where a child comes from or who they are, that they receive the best quality of education that I can provide. Especially, at the age of 6 or 7 children can be influenced by so much, and those influences can either set them up for failure or success. In a world that is so full of discrimination and hatred, I hope to bring hope and light to my students and assure them that there is good in

the world. My classroom will be a safe place where no type of ugliness, or violence will be tolerated.