

My Philosophy

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I want to teach the children of our future everything I possibly can within the school year that I have them. I want to teach them everything from the state standards to how to be responsible. I want them to come into my classroom every morning with a smile on their face and excitement in their body. I want to be a role model in every way I can, no matter where I am. My teaching philosophy is simple, I believe in the five 'w's and even the 'h'; who, what, when, where, why, and how.

I want to teach our future leaders of America. These young, insightful minds will soon grow up as our next generation of adults. I would love the opportunity to give back to my community and future generations by helping to shape the lives of these fantastic children. I also want to bring attention to the fact that the more involved a family is with the student, the better they will succeed. I will ensure that I open every possible door for the family to be a part of our classroom. Students need to see their parents and teachers interacting positively and I will make every effort I possibly can.

I want to teach all of my students about everything I possibly can. Of course, the curriculum and standards will come first and foremost, as education is key to a successful life. But it is so much more than that. I want to teach them fun things, like how to tie their shoes if they are struggling. I want to teach them how to whistle if everyone else knows how but them. I want to teach them how to communicate with their peers and make all the friends they want to. I want to teach them that it's fantastic to be different. I want to teach them serious things like responsibility, accountability, how to be bold thinkers, and how to problem solve.

Starting from my first day in my own classroom, I want to teach my students all these valuable lessons. I want to be in my classroom as soon as I can, because the faster the better. I want them to know that I am there anytime, not just from 8-3, Monday-Friday. I want to teach them such great things that when they make decisions in their life, they hear my voice and

make good decisions. I want to be the teacher they think of when they remember their favorite teachers.

Most of my teaching will come to life in the classroom. It will happen as soon as my door opens, and all the children come through the door until the last child leaves for the day. School should be somewhere they feel safe, smart, valuable, beautiful, and happy. Teaching isn't just saved for the classroom though, it's at every school function or game, it's at the park when I run into a student. Being a teacher isn't just being the teacher in the classroom. It is anywhere public that my students might see me. I want to be the teacher they get excited to see at the grocery store.

In order for each generation to keep evolving and doing better than the generation before, we have to provide them with the tools to do so. Why not start in elementary school. This is where a person learns the best in their life. This is when we should instill those core values so being a great and smart person comes naturally to all of them. I want to be a mentor, a role model, a coach, and someone they can count on. I want to improve every child I possibly can in every way possible.

I want to teach them how to be kind to one another, how to help each other, and how to appreciate our differences as people. How to use different strategies for different situations. They need to know how to actively engage themselves. Technology is a huge part of our future, so I want to teach them how to engage themselves in the world personally and digitally.

“If a child can't learn the way we teach, maybe we should teach the way they learn”. (Ignacio ‘Nacho’ Estrada)

“The best teachers are those who show you where to look, but don't tell you what to see”. (Alexandria Trenfor)