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Philosophy of Education

School plays a very important role in society. This can be a place that brings comfort to some students, where others find their starting place in the world, where people make friendships and relationships, and where students learn and get their education. “School” means something different to everyone you meet. It has a meaning that is unique to each individual. These are just a few roles that a school plays for students in our society out of the many, many roles not mentioned. They are the purposes of education. An education is a key component of what a child needs to be successful. We can assure this by giving these students a proper education and a safe place that serves students well.

Students are the future of our society. They are individuals motivated by their educational experiences. Besides the teacher, students play a big role in their own education. A teacher can impact someone’s educational experience, but a student can control more of the impact on his/her own education. By creating personal goals and identifying desired outcomes, a student can change their education completely. You get out what you put in, and if a student really wants it, they will receive it. We can assure that all students are prepared to assume this role in their own education by making sure that as teachers we encourage and motivate these students. With the teachers help, we can be the change in a student’s decision of their choosing whether to pursue more education or not. Meeting with the students, and personally providing help and encouragement to them can assure that the students are prepared to assume the role in their own educational experience.

The same way that the student has to put in effort, so does the teacher. The teacher's role in the classroom is to provide everything possible to help their students succeed. The teacher is there to instruct, teach, and provide this help to his/her students. They are the ones that need to be available for the student and their educational needs. Some teachers become a comforting factor for a student, a friend, and a figure of authority. Teachers are there to provide support to their students to help them succeed in their educational career. A teacher in a society that values diversity has the primary responsibility to not discriminate any of his/her students. No matter the race, disability, culture, etc., a teacher should prioritize every student, and make sure that every student receives the proper education that they deserve. The teacher is responsible for the education of every student in their classroom, and it is important that every student is valued equally and treated fairly in their education process.

I will design my instruction, curriculum, assessment, and classroom management so that it will best maximize the learning of the very diverse population of the students I can expect to find in my classroom. I will do this by making sure that I create a positive atmosphere for my students where everyone is treated equally and fairly. I will be teaching students between Kindergarten and 6th grade. I will make my curriculum at a level that all of my students can understand, and if they don't, I will work one by one with these students to make sure that they fully understand the things we are studying in the classroom. No student should be left behind in the classroom, so I will make sure that my classroom keeps up with the lessons at a steady pace. I expect the students in my classroom to respect me and their peers, and I will return that same respect to all of my students. My instruction will be made in a way to keep my students engaged and interested. I will make sure to adapt my instruction to fit each student's needs. My assessment in my classroom will be made in a way that the students will need to put forth effort

to grow in their education. They will need to do their homework and assignments as well as pay attention and participate in the classroom. I will make my curriculum, assignments, instructions, and assessments understandable and available to every student in my classroom and provide changes for each student to learn successfully.

It is important that teachers provide information to the parents of their students. Families need to be involved in the education of their children so that they can help the students with their education when they are not in the classroom. Diversity is becoming more popular in today's classrooms. Keeping diverse families up to date on what is going on in the classroom with their child is very important. To have a successful relationship between the diverse families of my students, I will send home a weekly plan for my classroom with their child every Monday. It will contain what assignments and lessons we are doing for the week as well as have comments on the sheet that keeps the families updated with how their child is doing in class. At the beginning of the year I will ask the parents/guardians to write down their emails and phone numbers, so that they will be available to me if I ever need to email them about their child, or ways that they can get involved. I will also provide my email to the families, and in doing so encourage open communication and dialog about each student. Diverse families come in all types of forms, from different race, gender, cultures, disabilities, and backgrounds. I want my student's families to know that they are always welcome to be involved in their child's learning experience and that I encourage and want their participation.

Education plays a vital role in our society. Teachers have the power to make the educational experience for a child positive or negative. It is essential that teachers provide this positive experience by setting goals and motivating the class to help the entire process to be

successful. It will be my priority to provide this positive experience to my future classroom to reach this important goal.