

My Teaching Philosophy

A powerful teacher will not only teach a subject to students but will also make a meaningful impact. As a teacher, I will create a physical and emotional safe environment for the students and myself. With this, students will be comfortable participating in class and have compelling discussions throughout the year that will aid in the understanding of content. In a classroom it should not be the teacher doing a lecture the whole period, students need to be able to voice their opinions, questions, and understanding to one another. Learning from their peers allows students to see concepts from another perspective that is not theirs nor the educator's, which will help develop a more comprehensive understanding. Project-based instruction gives the students an opportunity to collaborate with their classmates and provides meaningful learning through inquiry. These lessons let students develop their understanding of topics more deeply because they get to do hands-on activities that include researching, investigating, and collaboration.

Responsive teaching is a good concept for teachers to have, being able to listen to students' reasoning behind their ideas, this allows teachers to comprehend their students' thought process. Using both formative and summative assessment has let me examine students' understanding of topics. This information lets me know if I have to alter the ways I am teaching and shows if I have to focus on certain areas more than others. Responsive teaching leads to more successful learning experiences for students and also promotes an inclusive environment.

Having a growth mindset as a teacher will help the students develop one as well. This type of mindset will make students, who underestimate themselves, start to believe that they can achieve the things other classmates do. Equality is essential in the classroom, every student shall have the same opportunities to advance in their learning. No student will ever be left out or given advantages in my classroom. I will make sure to show my students that I want the best for them inside and outside of school. When students feel that their teachers respect and support them, they will give the teacher the same in return. A classroom full of respect will set forth the school year with accomplishments from both the students and teacher. Being a teacher is not just about teaching content, but it's also guiding students to take the next steps in their educational career.