

# Philosophy of Education

Being a teacher is not only about teaching content matter to the students, but also about being a person they can trust and look up to. It is important for a teacher to be there for their students not only in their education, but in their personal lives as well. To be an effective teacher the teacher must begin with the student, rather than with the content matter. It is important to educate the whole child, not just in an academic sense.

I hope to build a positive and encouraging learning environment. I want my students to be able to trust in me as I will trust in them. In order to create such an environment in my classroom I will have to meet my students on their level. I want to show my students that I care about them and that I will be there for them every step of the way. My goal as an educator is not only to help my students learn and build their content knowledge, but to also help them be the best they can be. I hope to instill the courage and confidence in my students to continue their education in the classroom as well as outside of the classroom. I want to stretch my students and help them grow academically as well as a person. Not every student has an adult they can look up to, and if that is the case then I want to be that person.

I want to make a difference in my student's lives and be a good role model for each and every one of my students in any way I can. I know I will be making a positive difference in my students' lives whether it is by helping a student with homework, or giving them a much needed hug. Learning does not stop in the classroom. I hope to inspire my students with a passion for learning and good character, and help them possess those qualities throughout their lives.