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A teacher is someone who can make a profound impact in the lives of the students that they are around everyday. A teacher’s thoughts, words, and actions have the biggest influence to achieve the role of an effective leader. As a future teacher I believe that having a positive attitude inside and outside of the classroom will reflect onto all of my students. I want to live each day by presenting a positive and lively energy to others I meet in my life. I, especially, want to array that quality onto my students.

Creating an environment where students can determine where their inspiration comes from is very important; especially focusing on the students with disabilities to help discover and reinforce they have wonderful and special talents too. Whether that inspiration and enthusiasm comes from inside them or comes from me, it will help the students to embrace whatever challenges comes in their way. The best inspiration I can give my students is showing that I care about them. Letting them know they will have someone is on their side guiding them to become the best they can be.

Sometimes one of the hardest challenges a child can come across is the ability to gain knowledge on how to think, speak, and act with clarity. To me, being a educator is more than just about teaching child the ability to succeed scholarly; it’s about presenting common sense, social interactions, and positive thinking that they can carry with them for the rest of their lives. By achieving that in my classroom I want to create unity with the students, their families, the community, and myself. And really bringing forth all the differences and diversity we have within the classroom, and helping each student with disabilities or not let them know they each make up a piece of the class puzzle.

In every classroom it is the teacher who is responsible for student learning. As an elementary teacher I will use a variety of student assessment methods. Assessment methods that I will perform will be one-on-one tests, paper tests, and group or class tests. The tests will be fun and will motivate the students to want to excel in their academics. Nonetheless, the tests will be to the point and will help me understand if the child knows the curriculum. I will also use differentiated instruction to help students with disabilities select and perform their best assessment their own way.

The most effective way to show how pedagogical content knowledge works for people is to describe how it would assist me in the future for my elementary education degree. When I am a teacher I hope to follow the criteria that goes along with each of the subjects. I hope to do this in an effective way and make it fun for each and every student. I intend to expressively teach students in different ways; helping students best learn whatever I expose to them. In addition, by using various instructional strategies, I hope each student will show and tell me ways that will best meet the needs he or she has as a student.

I will also try to develop the best learning environment that I can by creating an atmosphere that is respectful, positive, responsible, and cooperative. I hope the classroom I create will allow the students to exercise their best effort. My classroom’s atmosphere will show my students the love and passion that I have for teaching. I will create an amazing mood by reflecting the Golden Rule, to show and teach students how I expect them to act around each other.

As a teacher I will need to display professional characteristics. The number one skill that I will need to portray is successful communication with my coworkers and my students. I know I will need to think creatively. I need to be on my toes at all times and ready for anything that is thrown at me. I will also need to be prepared with my lesson plans and ready to teach in a fun and effective way.