

Teaching has always been a passion of mine. My philosophy is to accept each student as a gift from God with their own unique gifts. It is not my wish to change a student, but my goal is to find their strengths and help foster a higher level of learning.

One of my goals as a teacher is to produce life long learners with strong core values. Each student learns at a different speed and in a different way. This fact should be respected in the child as much as possible. I want to be able to accentuate their good points while minimizing their less desirable personality traits. I hope by giving them positive and encouraging feedback this will make them strive to be a better student. Attending extra curricular activities always goes a long way to improve self-esteem. I will try to attend such events to show my support. In addition, I will work to get to know the family of my students. I would like the family to feel comfortable and come to me with a concern or share information with me regarding their child's education.

My goal is that the short time I have each student will be a positive effect on their life and a building block for their future. I am blessed each day to greet their smiling faces and enjoy each of them for these few moments in their lives. Nothing is more rewarding than watching the magic in a child's eyes when they understand a concept or accomplish a very difficult task and share in their pride.

Cohesion in the classroom is very important. This will establish a strong sense of community with the student and the teacher. I would like the student to feel comfortable coming to me with questions or concerns. I do not want my students to feel they need to be self-conscious. They never need to hide who they are. I will not tolerate bullying, being disrespectful, or discrimination against anyone. I would like all of my students and their families to feel comfortable with me and in my classroom. I am looking forward to growing as a teacher and a student of education. I believe that learning along with the students is the greatest benefit of all.

I have always believed in this quote: " Tell and I will forget, teach me and I will remember, involve me and I will learn." I would like all of my students to move on to the next grade with a sense of pride and accomplishment.

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