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Philosophy

As a future educator, I plan to be someone that young children can be more than willing to go up to and learn an abundance from. Every person has their own story and should be respected and welcomed inside of their teacher's classroom. Teaching and learning should be a special place where there is love and opportunity shared. Every student has their own goals and achievements. It is important that the teacher is made aware and driven to create the best environment for their students.

In regards to teaching strategies, I have learned a multitude of ways and lessons when it comes to fulfilling students' learning needs. It is so important that the correct learning strategies are met depending on the learning subjects. As well as learning subjects, it is important that the correct learning strategies are used based on what is best for each student in the classroom. Some students may need a clearer, or more in depth understanding of a strategy to deepen their understanding and knowledge of a topic. From my own personal experiences, fulfilling these goals instills confidence in both the student and the instructors. As teachers, we must become aware of all of this.

In relation to a learning environment, there are so many levels to a positive and uplifting classroom for every student to feel secure in. Every student spends a lot of their time inside the classroom so it needs to be worthy of their educational time. A positive and uplifting classroom includes an atmosphere that supports inclusion and opportunity for all students no matter their background and ability/disability. The learning environment should be a welcoming environment where students feel comfortable and content around their peers. I, myself, notice increased levels of contentment and overall motivation when I am surrounded in an atmosphere like so. A correct learning environment also

includes a calm atmosphere for all students to become knowledgeable. Massive amounts of clutter and disorganization can lead to negative impacts in learning.

In regards to student learning, I believe that it should be a steady incline. Improvement comes from both ups and downs. When students are positively educated and surrounded by positive teachers and peers, life grows easier and more content. I believe that it is important for students to set goals for themselves and for them to also be pushed along the way. Challenges can lead to strengthening confidence levels in student learning and educating. Additionally, what is being taught is very important as well. Educators must be sure that what is being taught is beneficial to their students' learning and helps lead them to their achievements.

All in all, there is so much more to teaching and learning. Educators have a huge responsibility of holding themselves and their students accountable for becoming successful in reaching their goals. Many students lean on their teachers to help strengthen both their education and sense of self. With my own personal experiences and what I have learned thus far in the education program, it is incredibly important that all students are heard, seen, and valued inside and out of the classroom.