

The Essence of Education Today

For many, the issue of aspiring to a teaching career begins economically. The fact is well-known that teachers, compared to many other similar professions, are drastically underpaid. Despite their crucial and demanding role, teachers are taken advantage of, year in and year out. Now, the government cannot simply produce billions of more dollars in a given time period. Nonetheless, the government should recognize teachers with increased salaries through standard redistribution plans. Very similar to current welfare programs, I believe that it is necessary to appropriate wealth distributions for jobs. This would gradually increase the payout for teachers in generations to come while promoting the continued importance of education.

However, in many instances, money isn't everything. In combination with an increased payout for teachers, there should be an entire reconstruction of the morale surrounding education. Teachers should stand as symbols of heroism and dependability for the success of others. Much like how star sports figures are dramatized for their impact on popular culture, teachers should be idolized for their persistent and purposeful attitudes. The inspiring nature of educational pioneers should stand for more than just measly recognition. Therefore, to display the resolute and increasingly important teaching position, society must implement many new measures into daily life. Among these, an increased payout (as a result of job redistribution programs) and a greater appreciation brought to the duties of teachers are necessary to solve the shortage.

Beyond this, in the sense of my education journey, many characteristically unique teachers have become significant mentors and promoters. For a teacher to be of excellence beyond the norm, they must hold and cherish a foundation of values extending past the general curriculum. Foremost, a teacher must establish a direct and meaningful relationship with the students. Education is a unique aspect of life, and for many, simply attending school each day is a nuance. However, disciplined teachers who establish relationships with students create an atmosphere of respect, trust, and professionalism. For instance, while taking the classes

Principles of Biomedical Sciences and Human Body Systems my teacher was very personable, an effective listener, and one who demonstrated empathy. This not only made it easier for me to ask questions and voice my misdirections, but it enabled me to understand the lessons better. I grasped challenging topics due to my teachers' transparency and willingness to "stray" from the curriculum. This teacher continues to have a profound impact on my education, as he provided me with much of the scientific backbone that I rely on today.

Furthermore, a teacher must display intense enthusiasm for the subject they teach. When a student walks into a classroom with a positive and reinforcing aura, then learning can be entertaining. Being enthusiastic ties personal relationships with the students and backs one's later appreciation for topics. In the context of my high school, foreign language is always dreaded by students. However, I enrolled in several higher-level Spanish courses. These decisions stemmed from our Spanish teacher's distinctly enthusiastic approach to teaching. Each class was filled with enjoyable methods of learning less interesting topics (such as sentence structure and pronoun choice). In turn, this made the course congenial and memorable each time. Spanish was a class, despite its difficulty, that I looked forward to each school day.

Finally, teachers must be willing to learn and grow themselves. Frequently, there is a sense of hierarchy associated with the teacher position. Moreover, students may find themselves trapped in coursework that they can't comprehend, backed by a stubborn personality of refusing to ask questions. Teachers must take the initiative, sparking discussion in the classroom while encouraging questions and collaboration. Teaching is a profession that holds a great responsibility, and we as a nation need to respect our teachers!