Personal Mission Statement Essay

“I am committed to instilling in my students a belief in themselves and their ability to learn, grow, and become that which they aspire to be, to guide them in discovering their potential and recognizing their gifts within, and to create a learning environment where they feel comfortable to be themselves, supported in their endeavors by a teacher committed and willing to help in any way possible.”

When I made the decision to become a teacher, I considered how I might be able to have a positive influence on children. Having the chance to encourage children to identify their individual talents and work to be the best person they can be is a career opportunity that I feel is more rewarding than many other higher paying careers. In my career as a teacher, I have the opportunity to expand a student’s knowledge and hopefully be a positive role model for them. I want them to realize that in addition to covering the primary subjects in school, that I am a resource for them when they are struggling or need additional help. As a teacher I will have the opportunity to serve each student and tailor my teaching to meet their individual needs. I will be spending more time with these children than a typical working parent has with their child. I will be able to see the students on a daily basis. I will put every effort in to understand that each child is different, may learn differently, and may be motivated by different things. I want to help each child realize that they have special talents and once they figure out what they do best, that they should work to further develop those skills to become the best person they can be.

As a teacher, I will help them recognize talents within themselves. Some students are very aware of their strengths and confident in their abilities. I look forward to working with these children. I also realize there are students who lack confidence and motivation, students that do not want to be a school or think they are inadequate in some fashion. Some students will require more effort and time in guiding them to discover their potential. When I become a teacher it is my mission to instill in my students a belief in themselves to achieve anything they set their minds to. I want my students to know that I believe in them and their capabilities to become successful. If they work hard and focus they can be successful. When I see children who are discouraged because they feel inadequate or not worthy of learning, I will make sure that I reinforce that every child has special talents and skills. My mission is to prevent any student in my class from feeling inferior or somehow not good enough; I want them to recognize that not everyone is perfect and there will be people that are “better” at certain tasks, but if they set their minds to something they are very capable.

I will ensure that my classroom provides a safe and approachable learning environment where my students are not intimidated by other students or faculty. My classroom with be o place where they feel comfortable asking questions. I will work to develop strong relationships with my students where they feel comfortable to inform me about their problems. It takes a lot of courage for a student to admit that they do not understand something they have been taught. I want my students to never be embarrassed or feel as if they need to cover up something they do not understand, but rather be able to talk to me as their teacher and then I may be able to provide them with additional information or present the topic in another format that may help them understand or learn. I will treat each student with respect and encourage them to treat others the way they want to be treated. I will remember that every student is an individual with a different background and therefore they may learn in their own way. As a teacher, my students will know that they are my priority and that I am committed to help each of them in their development, learning and growth.

A quote that has always meant a lot to me is, “They may forget what you said, but they will never forget how you made them feel.” One of my high-school teachers, who actually inspired me to pursue my teaching career, shared this quote with me. I think this quote describes the role of a teacher very well. Of course, my goal as a teacher is to make sure my students gain a comprehension of the material presented and further their knowledge, but I also may play a role in the way they view themselves. I will make sure my students feel capable and deserving of an education. Each child needs to find their self-worth and an awareness of the difference they can make in the world. My mission as a teacher is to help my student’s understand that they have a purpose and are able to impact the world. Anything they set their minds to and put effort into is an attainable goal.

In order to truly be committed to my mission as a teacher I will have to have a lot of patience and faith in knowing that I’m where I belong. There will be good times and bad, success and failures. In addition to working with children with minds of their own, who may demonstrate disrespectful actions or tempers, I will need to deal with parents who do not want to hear that their child is not doing well or not applying themselves in school. As a teacher working with children I can help shape the future through each and every child. I will have to chance to touch a child’s life, not only by what I teach them and the values and beliefs I may instill in them about themselves, and hopefully inspiring them to reach for their dreams. Teachers touch the lives of every student they come into contact with, whether it is positive or negative. That is why it is my mission to be committed to positively influencing my student’s and allowing them to be confident in who they are, what they are capable of, and what they will become. My mission as a teacher is to instruct my students, encourage them in all that they do, praise them in their successes, support them when they struggle, have a positive influence on them, share my knowledge with them, guide and support them, and inspire them to dream big and believe in themselves. As a teacher, I will do my best to help my students realize the role they can play in future of community and world in which they live.