

MORE THAN CURRICULUM-BASED LESSONS

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More than filling the minds of the learners with ample knowledge is one of the major roles of teachers. To impart vital learning, not only in education but in real life as well. This requires skills among the students in able for them to be globally competitive just like what the K-12 curriculum is aiming. They perform a big role in nurturing the minds of the youth for their bright future and guiding the 56m on what career they are going to choose.

Part of their jobs is to perform tough duties such as designing lesson plans, preparing instructional materials, doing tons of paperwork, and even taking them home and extending their work without getting extra payment. But, those are not just the work of the teachers. There are more than those tedious works.

Being a teacher also means touching the lives of the students. Teachers are able to affect the students' different aspects of life. They can be their inspiration, motivation, and the ones who teach them how to live a productive and meaningful life. There are times that teachers are the ones who give advice to the students about their dilemmas or how to deal with their personal problems.

Teachers also influence their students to have their own values and morals to contribute to the betterment of society. Some of the teachers also share their life experiences which can serve as motivation for the students to strive harder in able to be successful someday. They create bonds with their students and go beyond a typical classroom setting in which teachers just usually teach their lessons, nothing more.

According to Derrick Meador (2017), teachers are influential by nature and often take advantage of opportunities to teach life lessons when they present themselves. He also added that lessons taught by teachers have made a lasting impact on many students. In many cases, these life lessons that are being shared may have a massive impact as compared to the curriculum-based lesson itself.

It just proves that being a teacher is not only meant for teaching lessons that are required in their syllabuses or curriculum. Teachers are not meant just to inculcate information into the minds of students for them to be prepared in their chosen fields. Teachers also guide them to be better persons and productive individuals which cannot be learned in the subjects that are required to take.

Teachers are not only teachers. They can also be parents, best friends, or confidants. They do not only produce intelligent learners but also upright ones. To be an effective teacher, it is not enough to feed them with the knowledge that is based on their curriculum. It is important to consider how you are going to touch their lives and make a lifetime impact that will help them continue growing because of the life lessons that you have imparted to them.

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