

TEACH, INVEST, AND PAYBACK

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Teaching is a mission, and a task that necessitates a teacher's readiness to embrace the vocation, which always necessitates an affirmative response to the most difficult challenge of being a teacher – to shape, nurture, and assist students in every way possible so that they can reach their full potential.

When teachers enter the world of learners, regardless of age or social background, they become instant parents. Managing varied personalities and skills from generation to generation is similar to raising a family with different perspectives on life as they progress through their journey.

I was once a student of some of my dearest teachers and colleagues, and I can tell you that their career is no laughing matter, and being a student is likewise a challenging role. Back then, I was always within a cage, shielding myself from everyone's gaze; I couldn't even leave my comfort zone and would always retreat to the safest spot. As I spent my days, months, and years with my high school teachers, I gradually became a youthful listener and follower of everything they asked of me, trusting in their ability to lead me to a brighter future. During those years, my thoughts kept reminding me of the possibility of reaching my life goals with their help, second only to my parents and siblings. They frequently enhanced my self-esteem by lavishing praise on me, just as many parents did. They always made me feel that I was getting better, that I was one of the best, that I was obedient and responsible, and that I had the potential to be a successful person one day. When they talked about their former pupils who had gone on to become professionals or when they shared stories about their journey to success, most of the

stories were themed from rags to riches. I was constantly in amazement. My tutors' ability to transform an essential youngster into a dreamer and, eventually, an achiever astounded me.

Never in a million years could I picture myself in the shoes of my mentors. If I had realized that teaching would be my career, I would have seized the opportunity to document all my former teachers did for all the young people who looked up to them and are now professionals and successful people. Now that I'm a teacher like them, I've discovered that everything they did for me as a student was the same for all my classmates. They've been doing this positive reinforcement for decades with the same goal: to generate successful dreamers who understand that success is judged not by numbers or grades but by how well someone applies what they've learned from their experiences to achieve their goals.

Below are some approaches to developing great learners I learned from my former mentors and coworkers. As a teacher, these can be added to your investment; I have been doing so.

- Be a motivator rather than a detractor. There will always be students struggling in all parts of life in any class of 50 or more. Despite our need to ensure that learning occurs, being a strict disciplinarian will drive our kids away from us. We must be in their world most of the time, join them, and befriend them; this will improve our bonds with them and help them understand their position as learners. They will gradually be motivated to accomplish things they were previously terrified of.
- Show them who you are. By doing so, you are teaching the students to respect one another and not hesitate to express themselves when necessary. You can tear down the barriers between you and the students, but you must be vigilant when dealing with classroom issues. You can always create a rapport with them, but only to a certain extent.

- You are the one who will grade them. Never let them forget why they are spending the rest of the school year with you. Keep in mind that you are their evaluator, besides being a teacher and a friend. Everything they do is being watched and evaluated for their benefit as students.
- Make sure they are up to date. It is critical for a teacher to constantly remind and update students on what is going on in the classroom.

The four corners of the classroom and the entire school grounds serve as a guide for them. I understand how difficult it is to be a guide with multiple personalities but trust me when I say it's all worth it.

- Their success is a success for you. As teachers, we must constantly remind our pupils that their achievement is a result of their hard work. Make them feel like you'll be their proudest when they reach their goal. That way, you'll always be a source of inspiration.

Learners play an essential role in a teacher's career path, regardless of their path. They result from the teachers' hard work, devotion, and commitment.

Successful students always return to their teachers, where they originally took their first steps in conquering the outside world.

As a teacher, I work with my former mentors, seeing in their eyes and hearing from their mouths how proud they are that I, along with the other former students, were once their students.

Students may legitimately remark that, even though teaching is not a high-paying income job, it is a vocation that provides opportunities.

Of all other occupations, It is a never-ending beneficial investment because every year, as batches of students complete their studies and achieve success in life, the instructor

receives a precious return on his or her investment. No amount of money or other objects can ever replace the ROI (Return on Investment) of teachers – the students' success.

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