2nd Essay Assignment

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Being an activator for the students

“I’m not a teacher, but an awakener.”

-Robert Frost-

Teachers carry a big responsibility in their classroom and people may agree with teacher’s one of the main duties are to make classroom run smoothly and be prepared for various situations it might happen during the class. One reason is that all students will depend on them and moreover they will start to have an impact on the students. So teachers have to create a positive and productive environment for students to feel achievement in their classroom.

In order to make students feel achievement and secure in their classroom, teachers should have good management skills such as dealing with the unexpected problems and situations.

In this essay, I’m going to talk about how would I handle with three different unexpected situations that could happen during the class.

1) Implementing “English only” policy

If the institution that I’m working with has a very strict “English only” policy and they’re relying on me to implement and enforce this rule. Then, first I would try my best to make my students to understand what the purpose to have a strict “English only” policy in the institution. I’m not just put them to think in a one way to follow the policy so I’ll simply ask them about the effectiveness of speaking English only and setting up the rules all together what if somebody breaks it or doesn’t follow it. In this way, they’re aware of the importance of the policy and responsibility of the rules which makes all together.

We can make rules such as display a wall chart at the back of the class and giving students a remarkable stamp who keep the rules throughout the whole day. At the end of the month I announce who is the winner of this policy and giving them a great complimentary in order to make other encourage doing that as well.

In addition, it’s very important to teachers themselves to be a good example to their students all the time and make the class environment surrounded with English. So that students will follow the “English only” policy in naturally.

2) Handling of frequent tardiness and absences

During the time I was the elementary school student, I won the prize for no absences for my entire of 6years school time. At the first year when I won the prize for that I felt achievement and self-esteem. It became a great motivation to go on my whole school years. And I realized that diligent and punctual is one of the most strong requirement for learners overall. Giving a positive reward encourages student to lead themselves in an outstanding results.

So I’ll try to make them who are often late or absences to realize that missing a one class is a hundred losses.

3) Helping students prepare foe lesson presentations

It just happened few months ago when I was preparing for the graduation project for my university in Korea. I had to make presentation using power point system but I had absolutely no idea how to use it. I was worried that how could I handle this project alone because I thought I had a very little information to go through it. So I decided to ask to professor and assistant to give me a more specific examples or demonstration project file. After I had those helpful resources eventually little and little I’m getting a key point what I need to do and how to use the power point system. From this experience, I learned that teachers should not judge the students will get the main point when teacher conducts a class especially ask them to do some lesson presentations. Try hard to give them a specific examples such as worksheet or materials to make them picturing about what I’m going to do with this. I’ll observe more individually and try not to disturb them too much in order to make them creative and think outside of text book.

As being a teacher we have to know class is always two way communication not flowing one way to another. Showing them we’re not only an instructor but also listener. And more importantly, teachers should prepare for the unexpected situations to make students feel secure in their classrooms so that they can be as much creative as possible.

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