DEVELOPING POSITIVE RELATIONSHIP WITH PARENTS DURING PANDEMIC

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Teachers’ schedules are already hectic even before without the outbreak of corona virus all over the world. Due to corona virus pandemic, children are affected by physical distancing, quarantines and nationwide school closures. It may result to home schooling among children to ensure their health safety.

In relation to this, parents serve as facilitators to help their children to continue learning even we’re in midst of this corona virus pandemic. Parents even before are always there to support children’s education and progress.

Consider these tips in Developing Positive Relationships with Parents during pandemic.

Create a platform of communication

Due to pandemic, we were not able to meet our parents in person, unlike before. As teachers, let us initiate to create a platform which we can able us to disseminate the needed information to continue the education among children through the help of their parents at home.

Reach out each parent

Consider not all parents have gadgets and internet connection to create a social media account where all means information or messages are sent through Group Chat or messenger. Without these, they will never be updated. As teacher we have to inform them
through phone call or text so parents feel that we give them importance for their children’s education.

Let parents feel welcome and comfortable as part of the group.

Tell them that you are partners in the new system, the “new normal” and show your appreciation for their support. Look forward to work together as a team to continue their child education.

Encourage parents to share their experience in facilitating their child education.

Listen and let share their experiences in teaching at home because they know a lot of things about their child those experiences can help other parents in the group.

Collaborate with parents in making decision.

Involve parents and allow them to ask questions and share their opinions regarding the activities of the children to be accomplished for that week. As a group, it would be easier for the teacher to transmit all the information that could be of help to parents and children.

Appreciate each parent.

Simple message of appreciation to parent can help boost their morale to continue in giving importance to child education.

Give simple and specific instructions.

Help parents in giving them ideas how homeschooling made easy and enjoyable to the learners.
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