HOW SPECIAL YOU ARE!

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Teachers play a critical role in the development of students. An excellent teacher can serve as an inspirational and encouraging role model for students long after the classroom year is over. This is especially true when it comes to special education teachers who work with students dealing with diverse challenges and needs. My friends, I came here to speak about the greatness and nobleness of Special Education (SPED) teachers which I witnessed during our benchmarking conducted last February 27, 2019 in some of the schools in Bataan. I’ve seen how they touched everyone with their superb works and contributions in the field of learning. Their sole responsibility is to educate students with diverse challenges and needs. They give most of their time molding persons with difficulties in order for them to become great and effective individuals as well as become assets of society. They continue their quest for wisdom, attending seminars and trainings for some just for the betterment of their profession. Some special education teachers exhibit well-organized record-keeping skills as they report to their administrators to show they are up-to-date on key teaching requirements and the development of their SPED class. In addition, everyone has a different learning style in a SPED class. The SPED teachers are able to adapt their lessons in creative ways to highlight the learning strengths of each individual child. They include all students in the learning process which may involve teaching the same material in four or five different ways. In order to be prepared, a teacher should update himself regarding new teaching techniques on a regular basis. This benefits all of the students as each will be able to begin on his or her own learning strengths while creating skills in other areas. For example, a student who learns best visually will also develop his or her own auditory and kinesthetic learning styles in a classroom. SPED teachers are adaptive as you never know what may happen in the classroom. SPED students may have outbursts, meltdowns, and disruptions due to behavioral and learning issues. A teacher must be ready to maintain order, keep to a schedule, and be versatile as all of those things might arise.
Sad to say, the magnanimity of SPED teachers is a valuable gem that everyone seems to overlook. Their great works are not acknowledged more often. That hurts a lot but I’m appealing to SPED teachers not to give up. May you uphold the good name of being SPED teachers. May you stand firm and be one in saying, "Be proud you are a SPED teacher - a builder of life". May you live with unique unquestioned honesty, dedication, decency and dignity above all.

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