TEACHER: A LEADER WHO TRANSFORM

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Many would claim that teachers are natural-born leaders of the society. They are the leaders who use their power to lead and help others to do the right thing. Teachers set directions, build an inspiring vision, and create something new that make them efficient and effective. This kind of leadership by teachers can be categorized as transformational leadership.

What is Transformative Leadership?

Unlike other traditional leadership styles that make the leaders the sole doer, transformational leadership is all about initiating change in the organization, groups, oneself, and many more. As teachers, “to initiate” is a game-change for it allows your students to do more than you. They are more on the side of doing things independently but with proper guide of a facilitator. Because as a transformational leader, you motivate others to do more than they originally intended, setting challenging expectations that typically achieve higher performance.

The Use of Transformative Leadership in Teaching

A teacher which is a transformational leader makes learning more interactive than traditional. From a “sage on the stage” that is more on the traditional part which spoon fed students to a “guide on the side” that helps students to be more competent and independent. This making a big connection to what K-12 curriculum wants the students to be—LIFELONG-LEARNERS.
Moreover, this kind of leadership makes students feel more motivated and inspired. A compelling vision provides the foundation for leadership, but it was the leader that helps them deliver the mission. As a teacher, you will provide the sense of motivation to make students more inspired from what they are doing. They have their tendency to start good, but as envisioning occurs, initial enthusiasm fades. In here, you enter, and start recognizing that hard work throughout will result to good things. After you motivate and inspire them, it will then be their start to achieve their vision you set. Making them more independent and an own “leader” of themselves.

Transformational leadership can be a big factor to change. It helps teachers have more committed and satisfied students. This is because a leader empowers followers. Teachers develop leadership skills; look for leadership potential, creating an environment of success continuing in the long term. And that’s the true measure of great leadership.

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