According to Mother Teresa, “If you judge people, you have no time to love them.” This famous line reminds us that that we have to serve and love our fellowmen most especially the young ones.

In the school, the teacher is expected to show love to the learners, acting as a teacher and as a guidance counselor in the classroom. How could a teacher demonstrate the tasks of being a guidance counselor?

Take time to talk to your pupils. The teacher, acting as a guidance counselor, may spend time in listening to the problems, feelings, sentiments and insights of the pupils or learners.

Make the students feel that they are important. This may be realized by teacher when he or she shows parental concern to the learners. The learners find acceptance and satisfaction when the teacher is always at their sides,

Show compassion when needed. The teacher as guidance counselor has to be compassionate to the children most especially to those who need more attention and understanding due to their respective problems and conditions.

Build rapport with the learners. The teacher as a guidance counselor has to establish a good relationship with the pupils. This helps the learners enjoy the people in authority and would feel the love and care from the teacher as guidance counselor.
Keep confidentiality in various matters. This means that the teacher as guidance counselor should respect the secrecy and confidentiality of various situations or cases where the students are into in order to keep them safe and respected.

Be accommodating. The teacher acting as guidance counselor should welcome the pupils with open arms when they need help. This means that the teacher is a figure of warmth and accommodation.

The teacher truly performs multi-tasks and one of these important duties is being a guidance counselor. It is truly worthy if we serve and give something for the sake of others. Teachers are flexible and attain high level of pedagogical knowledge in handling different pupils and classes.

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