TEACHING RESPECT IN MODERN CLASSROOM

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Our homes are the first place of education that every one of us has ever gained respect from. We learn respect from all of our relatives and our parents in particular! People we've grown up with. Before any other teacher, our parents are our first teachers. They taught us all the different kinds of behaviors, different ways, and languages that are acceptable for us as adolescents.

In the classroom, teaching respect helps students excel. In other words, they respond to guidance and instruction in a positive way when students are able to treat each other respectfully. They are in effect, more likely to excel in academics. Distractions and disturbances in behavior are minimized. Lines of contact open up and are more relaxed. This makes for a learning environment that is more conducive.

There are people asking how they can teach their students respect, and people concerned because their faculty and students have different ideas about what respect really means. We also have an inherent desire, as human beings, to feel valued by others. When people show respect to one another at school, everybody is happier and more efficient. And how can you make that happen?

To inspire respectfulness, try the following suggestions.

1. Respect is a two-way street. You have to be a giver of respect in order to receive respect as well.

   - Respect is the best way to teach respect. Do it to you, just as you want them to do to you.
2. Have a positive mindset: It would be more successful for an educator who has a positive attitude toward their students and their work. Many of us have bad days, but even on our toughest days, we can still try to stay optimistic.

3. Let all your students know that they are appreciated and taken care of by you.

4. Acknowledge learners who display respect, compassion, consideration and thoughtfulness. When you see examples of disrespect, discuss with them.

5. Provide learning experiences that foster student cooperation, solidarity and compassion.

6. Model the values that make you want to see in your classroom.

- Try to say thank you and please while making requests. Students may be surprised by this and might see it as a sign of weakness, but for your classroom, you are demonstrating correct behavior.

7. Try to include parents in the positive things that their child is doing. When disciplinary concerns occur, the more you integrate parents into the positive aspects of your class, the more likely they will support you.

8. Teach students to respect themselves. Self-respect is one of the most important forms of respect. - It is easier to respect others if we respect ourselves.

Receiving respect from others is necessary as it allows us to feel comfortable and to express ourselves. Respect means, despite the differences and disagreements, you accept others for who they are. Respect creates feelings of confidence, protection, and well-being in your relationships. Respect doesn't have to come easily it is something you earn.

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