The Importance of Teaching Edukasyon sa Pagpapakatao (EsP)

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Teaching Edukasyon sa Pagkakatao (EsP) subject is not a walk in the park as many people direct it was. You have to flex your mind, say good things that students will bear in their heart and take careful movements to show good actions for them to imitate.

This learning area, a compilation of good words, right deeds, and moral thinking, is very vital that needs cautious sharing among students.

What is the importance of teaching EsP? According to Ibay, “EsP strengthens the moral fiber of society.” Certainly, it molds the individual as a person to become morally upright. It challenges teachers to develop learners who are mindful and responsible on their own act.

EsP teaches learners different virtues that are essential to life. It teaches them to whenever they want to achieve something, like working hard to finish their studies and the determination training to become one of the starters of the team. EsP allows students to persevere and to be patient. On the part of the teachers, it teaches them to understand the attitudes of the learners.

EsP teaches the value of life and morality. It makes people believe that life is sacred and indispensable that no one has the right to end this except God. It reminds humans to respect their body, because it is the temple of the spirit. It also teaches students to assess moral from immoral, right from wrong, and good from bad. People are directed to respect and protect their sex. Teachers are also channeled on how to discuss and handle issues like sex, marriage, family, drug addiction, and love.
EsP teaches learners how to respect people. This learning area did not just simply teach them to show respect, but they are expected to put into action or demonstrate reverence all the time, in all of their deeds. They are not born alone and others are just around, so learners are taught to deal with people with courtesy. It reminds students to be polite to others even if they are disrespecting them, because it shows how impertinent they are and what kind of person you are.

EsP teaches the value of religion. People have different religions, but EsP does not isolate anyone’s belief. It does not show dominance of one religion, but it does exhibit equality and fairness. How does EsP teach religion? It teaches religion in a way that EsP shares good words, inspires learners through stories and experiences, establishes good conduct, and inculcates in the mind of the learners to think decently. It teaches students to value their beliefs, but it also teaches them to respect one’s own belief.

EsP also teaches learners the virtue of humility. It brings them back where they started. Learning good values makes them successful in their own field of endeavors, so they learned how to thank people who made them a better person.

In EsP according to Ricky Centino, we find wisdom to understand our action and relate it to our existence.

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