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Teaching Philosophy

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"[Kids] don't remember what you try to teach them. They remember what you are." – Jim Henson. For me, teaching is everything that I've ever wanted and more. Throughout my internship experiences thus far, I have realized that my students are not going to remember what I am teaching them, or have taught them, they are going to remember who I am as a person. My actions, and the way I carry myself, is going to influence my students more than the subject material that I am instructing. When creating my lesson plans, the first thing I think about, besides the actual subject matter, is how I will actively engage each and every one of my students. I aim to create lesson plans that make every student of mine *want* to learn about what I am teaching.

The whole purpose of teaching is to do it for the children. No matter what grade level or subject you teach, you are shaping the minds of the future. The best part of my day is when I walk into my classroom and I see my students. They all get so excited to see me and will run up to me and hug me screaming, "MS. KING!!" Just knowing that I have the future of these children in my hands is incredible. I could be teaching the next Einstein, and I can help mold his future by providing him with a strong learning foundation. This field requires discipline, patients, and a commitment that I am prepared to extend to all of my students. I realize that there

is nothing that I want more than to be there for my students, regardless of if they need it at that moment or not. I am my students' leader, and they are my followers. Children don't remember much, but they do remember who made an impact on them. I want to be that person that makes them remember.