STUDENT – TEACHER RELATIONSHIP

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ABSTRACT

Improving student’s relationship with teacher has important, positive and long lasting implications for both students academic and social development. Solely improving student’s academic and social development. Solely improving students relationships with their teacher will not produce gains in achievement. However, those students who have close, positive and supportive relationships with their teacher will attain higher levels of achievement than those students with more conflict in their relationships. A student who receive constructive guidance and praise rather than just criticism from teacher, is likely to show more engagement in learning behave better in class and achieve at higher levels academically. A teacher can establish a positive relationship with their students by communicating with them and properly providing feedback to them. Feeling enthusiastic when learning & teaching, will encourage students to seek & happy in school.

KEY WORDS


INTRODUCTION
The student teacher relationship is very important factor for children. Student spent almost 5 to 7 hours a day with a teacher for almost 10 months in a year. Positive relationship is essential for children to give better results. A teacher should be a friend, philosopher, guide & facilitator. Real purpose of education is not fetching bread & butter alone but it is something more than that.

AIM OF MODERN EDUCATION

Modern education excels in providing great engineers, doctors, software engineers, but it lacks in producing human beings with humane qualities. There should be some change done in modern education system. Education should aim for holistic development of a student, in the sense physical, mental, spiritual, emotional & social development.

“WHO” defines “HEALTH” as physical, mental, social & spiritual well being of people. Swami Vivekanandha defines education as “It is the manifestation of perfection already in man.”

**Inspiriting quotes regarding teacher-student relationship.**

- “It is the supreme art of the teacher to awaken joy in creative expression and knowledge”-Albert Einstein
- “Tell me and I forget, teach me and I may remember, involve me and I’ll learn”
- “A teacher affects eternity, he can never tell where his influence stops.”-Henry Adams
- “The task of the modern educator is not to cut down jungles, but to irrigate deserts”-C.S.Lewis.
- “Good teachers know how to bring out the best in students”-Charles Kuralt
- “The strength of our student relationship makes the difference in translating our, passion for teaching into their, passion for learning”-Beth Marrow.
- “You are your master, only you have the master keys to open the inner locks”-Amit Roy.
WAYS TO DEVELOP POSITIVE RELATIONSHIP

A teacher & student who have positive & good qualities of communication & respect in a classroom & show interest in teaching from the point of view of teacher & learning from the student point of view, will establish a positive relationship in the classroom. Students have different kind of learning skills. Some may grasp fast & some may learn slow. Teachers should handle slow learners patiently & carefully, understanding their problem, she can explain twice until the students understand the subject. This will result in positive relationship.

According to great educationalist Jones, disruption frequently occurs in the class, only when the class is not maintained properly & the subject taught is uninteresting. Teacher’s shout or yelling on student will not give good result. Instead they should communicate calmly & politely, which may result better. Research proves that “Academic excellence & students good behavior is achieved only when student-teacher relationship is positive & good.

TEACHER-A FRIEND, PHILOSOPHER & GUIDE

Taitariya Upanishad elucidates the teacher as a potential divine being who is responsible and accountable authority to transform the personality of the student in a useful, purposeful and ascending direction. The vedic philosophy gives highest place & regard to the guru. Guru is not merely a scholar or physical being but a vibrant divine energy or the supernatural consciousness responsible for transformation.

The guru-sishya parampara is the world’s oldest system of evolution & learning in Indian culture. It should be beyond the materialistic paradigm. A Chinese proverb says “The mediocre teacher tells, the good teacher explains, the superior teacher demonstrates & the great teacher inspires”.

TEACHER’S DUTY

Teachers may be profound scholars in their subjects but not necessarily good in the art of teaching & explaining to the students. To teach is to learn twice, first to understand themselves & second to learn how to transform it to student. Good teaching inspires, motivates & guides for self learning. A famous saying goes like this “tell me I forget, show me I’ll remember & involve me I’ll understand Knowledge if thrust on student may damage
their cognitive skill, it may rest for sometime in their memories & degenerates like uncooked food.

The student is a bank, where the teacher can safely deposit in the treasure of knowledge & get the dividends in the form of human welfare & national pride. Students follow the vestige footprints of their teacher. Teacher are their ideas, icons & role models. A successful teacher should seek inner satisfaction while delivering his lectures & attracts students to his/her class.

**RAMAKRISHNA PARAMAHAMSAR’S VIEW OF GURU.**

Ramkrishna paramahamsar equates guru to physicians. There are three kind of physicians. First type are poorest class, they feel the pulse of the patients & prescribe the medicine. Likewise a teacher gives instruction & never bothers about result. Second type are mediocre class, who will prescribe medicine & wait for the result. In this type the teacher instructs, motivates & see the results & helps for better learning. Third type are good or great physicians, who really care for patients health, who even if patient does not take medicine, force him to take medicine & wait for result. Likewise a great teacher really inspires & force the children to learn. Teacher adopts various techniques for better understanding of students.

**CONCLUSION** Education is a bi-polar process at one end teacher & at another end taught. Both interact & explore new experience through multiple activity. A teacher should be a friend, philosopher, guide & a facilitator.

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