

Connections

may be more important than the content.

The two most important elements in student success are

1. Appropriate parental involvement
2. Connection with a staff member

- H. Alan Seibert

Learning is what survives when what has been learned has been forgotten.

- B.F. Skinner

“Erich Fromm says that love is an attitude. It really is not about a relationship with one person. It is an orientation of character that reflects the way that a person relates to life in general.”

The Need for Connection

Erich Fromm says we all have a need to overcome our separateness and aloneness.

The Need for Connection

We also have a need to feel like we are a little better than the other guy.

We are ALL ugly things!

The Need for Connection
<p>The problem is that there are two ways to satisfy that need.</p> <p>The first is to BE better than the other guy.</p>
We are ALL ugly things!

The Need for Connection
<p>The problem is that there are two ways to satisfy that need.</p> <p>The second is to cut down the other guy.</p>
We are ALL ugly things!

<p>The secret to connections is acceptance.</p> <p>To accept someone is to be for them.</p>

<p>“The secret of education is respecting the pupil.” Ralph Waldo Emerson</p>

“Nurture your mind with great thoughts.”
<p>To believe in the heroic makes heroes.” - Benjamin Disraeli</p>

<p>Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs.</p>

Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.
Love never fails...
And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

Mr. Holland's Opus
"These papers are pathetic."

Gap Management

Sometimes, in the dust
of the classroom
struggle,

We forget why we got into teaching in the first place.

Gap Management

judgmental thoughts,
superior attitudes
impatient words
self-righteousness

We are ALL ugly things!

Closing the Gap

The role of the teacher is
to always find ways to close the gap.

Avoid anger

We are ALL ugly things!

Closing the Gap

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to close the gap.

Find ways to tell students you love them.

We are ALL ugly things!

Closing the Gap
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Grade Management
We are ALL ugly things!

Closing the Gap
The role of the teacher is to always find ways to close the gap.
Apollo 13 – Changing disaster into “our greatest hour.”
We are ALL ugly things!

Closing the Gap
The role of the teacher is to always find ways to close the gap.
Apologies
We are ALL ugly things!

Closing the Gap
The role of the teacher is to always find ways to close the gap.
Patience, perseverance and vision
We are ALL ugly things!

Closing the Gap
The role of the teacher is to always find ways to close the gap.
Seek opportunities for connection
We are ALL ugly things!

Closing the Gap
The role of the teacher is to always find ways to close the gap.
Wayside teaching
We are ALL ugly things!

Closing the Gap
<p>Discuss with a partner a time when you were a student and a teacher touched you with "Wayside Teaching."</p> <p>Or</p> <p>Discuss with a partner a way or time that you impacted a student or students with "Wayside Teaching."</p> <p>Wayside teaching</p>
We are ALL ugly things!

Closing the Gap
<p>The role of the teacher is to always find ways to close the gap.</p> <p>It isn't personal.</p>
We are ALL ugly things!

The art of being wise
<p>...is the art of knowing what to overlook.</p> <p><small>William James</small></p>

Closing the Gap
<p>The role of the teacher is to always find ways to close the gap.</p> <p>Grace</p>
We are ALL ugly things!

"Treat people as if they were what they should be
<p>...and you help them become what they are capable of becoming."</p> <p><small>- Johann Wolfgang von Goethe</small></p>

Share victories
We are ALL ugly things!

In the end, only kindness matters.

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