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**Philosophy of Education**

“Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world”

-Nelson Mandela

My educational philosophy is a description of my own goals, values and beliefs as a teacher. I believe great teaching is one of the most complex and rewarding professions in the world.

As a teacher I will influence a wide diversity of children and their learning abilities. I know all students can learn, and education allows me to create and build different ways to teach material, so all students have the ability to learn. I believe by enabling choice within the classroom we enable learning. By doing this we create a positive environment for these students to thrive in. Being able to balance the needs of individual learners with the needs of the entire class is completely possible. In a physical education class setting I would include the TGfU model, which stands for “Teaching Games for Understanding”. The point of this model is to accommodate and modify games so every learner feels important and is involved. The goals I have for my students are: 1) improve self-confidence 2) improve academic performance 3) increase motivation to achieve greatness.

Teaching is a noble profession. I want my students to be passionate, respectful and understand that education is essential. My goal as an educator is to provide a positive learning environment for my students. An environment that allows the progression of knowledge and wisdom in students lives.