

Teaching Philosophy Template

A philosophy of education is an explanation of basic beliefs about education and is based on a person’s philosophy of life. Your beliefs influence your actions. Your personal belief system, including your philosophy of education, will determine what values you emphasize, how you organize and manage your classroom, how you teach and how you relate to children and their families. Your philosophy guides your thinking and actions as a teacher. Complete the chart with the appropriate information. You will use this information to develop a draft of your teaching philosophy.

Areas to address in your teaching philosophy:	
My aspirations, goals and objectives as a teacher and my goals for my students are:	
What is my role as the teacher?	
What is the student’s role in education?	
Methods I will consider to reach these goals and objectives include:	
How will I choose curriculum and teaching strategies?	
What classroom management strategies will be used?	
How will I accommodate students with limited English skills?	
How will I serve students with special needs?	

How will I assess student understanding?	
How will I assess student understanding of materials?	
How will I prepare students for various tests, such as STAAR?	
How will I improve my teaching?	
How can I serve all students well?	
What should students expect of me as a teacher?	
Are there any additional considerations I want to call attention to?	
What qualities are important for me as a teacher to possess?	
What is the role of the school in society?	
What does learning mean to me?	