

My Professional Philosophy Statement

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The Early Childhood period of development is special because from the age of birth to 5 years of age the children are learning important and exciting things for each stage of their lives. I believe that they develop and learn best in a loving, nurturing, empathetic, calm, understanding, safe, fun and healthy environment. I think that the most valuable aspects of Early Childhood Care and Education is their Mental, Physical and Social Learning Environments.

I have chosen to work with young children because I want to help them learn in each stage of their development. Beyond teaching and learning, I see my role in supporting the growth and development of children I believe it is important because without the support they need in their learning environments, the children struggle in life and I believe that they should not have to struggle.

My objectives for the growth and development of the children in my care are to help them learn and gain the necessary skills/knowledge from each stage of their life. The development and learning outcomes I want the children to achieve include, ABC's/123's, Shapes/colours, science/sensory, language/literacy, creative arts, fine and gross motor skills, self-concept, emotional skills, social skills and mathematics. Our daily schedule, curriculum, environment, materials, and teaching methods/strategies support my objectives for the growth and development of the children by providing them with a healthy, safe, fun, nurturing and loving educational experience. The teaching methods/strategies I will use include but are not limited to singing songs to the children when transitioning to different activities including sleep, meal times and toileting times.

To measure my own effectiveness in helping children achieve developmental and learning outcomes, I will learn from the children while also teaching them, because children can show you things that you wouldn't even think of and they will surprise you every day with what they know and have learned. I will continue to grow my skills and knowledge in working with young children by continually participating in workshops. I will consider myself a successful early childhood educator when; children continually show improvement in their growth and development, and the families and I give each other feedback communicating every good/bad thing that happens to their children including the improvement of their growth/development.

