10. Balanced Teaching

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Our nation needs balanced teachers. If teachers aren't balanced, their students could not able to get what they deserve. Lessons are put together, the grading piles up and everything gets hurried because the teacher is simply trying to survive every day. When a teacher feels that they don't have enough time, the time has come to rehearse the following things i.e. flexibility and prioritizing. An Overworked, unbalanced teachers are impatient, tired and irritable. Balanced teachers will always encourage and motivate their students. It's vital that teachers should spend time to plan meaningful lessons for their students. Hence this time should not be taken up by extra meetings and conferences. Time to plan meaningful lessons should be a sacred time for teachers. When this time is mis-managed by administration, we are letting down our students. They are the ones that suffer.

Balanced teachers always have energy and time to run a functioning, healthy class. They always have time to identify slow learners, weak learners and advanced learners in their class. They have the energy to support weak learners and slow learners through tutorial classes, remedial and reinforcement classes. They implement different teaching strategies like Flip class room, model display, audio visual aids to make them understand difficult topics. They have the time to connect with that student who often falls under the radar. They have the spirit to tell jokes, have brain breaks, connect as a class community and make their class a joyous place to learn and grow.

A balanced teacher can teach students to think creatively. They always encourage students to learn difficult concepts by developing small projects. Project-based learning is a dynamic classroom approach in which students actively explore realworld problems and challenges and acquire a deeper knowledge. Project-based learning encourages student to involve in research activity that they are interested in. The project would involve coming up with a viable solution. As a result, students will acquire professional skills and personal skills.

A balanced teacher can take students to industries and they can help students to learn advanced concepts practically. Importantly, Industrial visits can help students pursuing professional education to gain real time experience of how industry operations are executed. With the help of industrial visits, the technology gap can be easily bridged between theoretical and practical learning. During industrial visits students can actively interact with the experts available in the industry and it helps them to understand key concepts more practically. Students can know about their importance of their branch of study, job opportunities and their roles in the organization during industry visit.

A balanced teacher can conduct outreach activity programme to their students. Outreach activity helps students to interact with community people directly and helps them to understand their societal issues, environmental issues etc clearly. This programme motivates students to develop solutions using technology addressing their issues. Hence this activity provides a platform to the students to enhance their professional skills. Students involving in this activity learn to create a visual, interactive power point presentation which can be easily understood by common people. Initially they start as presenters and when they get involved, they can present their ideas to a large audience confidently. The other important aim of this outreach activity is to guide them in building relationships with their community. Such activities have to encouraged in educational institutions so that learners will get opportunity to improve their skills.