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I will be a Great Teacher

I once saw a poster in my pre-calculus's teachers' classroom, which read, "A teacher takes a hand, opens a mind and touches a heart," said by unknown. After seeing the poster in not only her room but others I knew once I had my own classroom that poster was going up. I want all my future students to feel inclusion in my room. I also believe every student can and will learn and no matter how hard class may get for them or myself we will both persevere through the class together.

When I went to school I felt that some of my teachers fell short of including everyone in everyday activities. For my future students I want them to all play a part in the classroom every day. "In the inclusive classroom, the teacher not only sets up physical opportunities for all students to look included, but the teacher makes students feel included through his/her choice of words and phrases," Nicole Eredics (Eredics). I want my students to get that feeling. I know I got when a teacher included me specifically which made me want to come back to their class day after day. I knew, they knew I was there, not just as one of their students but as a person. I want my students to also feel the same way I did when they come to my class.

Now every student may not realize they can learn when they really can. Any subject may seem hard at first but if you tell them they can do it and mean it, then they are going to start believing in you and themselves. "Learning sometimes occurs because someone insists that you recognize the excellence in yourself," Rita Pierson (Person). When I decided to become a math

teacher I knew it wasn't going to be easy because math is a subject most students dislike or struggle in. However, I know that every student has the drive in them to learn something new every day. At the end of the year I want to make sure I made my students learn what they needed in order to continue on to the next math level. I hope if I give them enough confidence to do better in math, they will get confidence for all their other classes. I do not want them just getting through math I want them getting through high school. Every single student has it in them and sometimes it just takes a teacher to pull it out of them.

Now if it was not for some of my teachers in high school I don't think I would be here today. Thankfully I had some amazing teachers who taught me to persevere through anything life threw at me, whether that be academically or socially. They showed me how I can't give up because they were not going to give up on me. I want to be the type of teacher my teachers were to me. I want to be able to push them through anything that is thrown at them academically and socially. "Every child deserves a champion: an adult who will never give up on them, who understands the power of connection and insists they become the best they can possibly be," Rita Person (Person). That is the type of teachers I was given and is the one I want to be.

Teaching is something I knew I wanted to do when I was in middle school and it was confirmed all through high school. I was lucky enough to have teachers who included everyone, knew that I could learn no matter how difficult the subject was, and for helping me persevere through the hard times. I was given such amazing role models and I now know what kind of teacher I want to be. I want to be a teacher who impacts as many students lives as possible.

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