



## **PIVOTAL EDUCATION**

BEHAVIOUR, SAFEGUARDING, TEACHING & LEARNING

### **Encouraging and Enabling Students**

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#### **What can a teacher do to encourage and enable their students to develop and succeed?**

- Listen to the student.
- Give positive input in the form of many “soft strokes” in a positive voice tone this raises the students self esteem and enables them to succeed.
- Students may start to question “bad boy”.
- Show love of subject or what you are teaching this carries students along with you. This creates we are in this together approach so students not so afraid of failing.
- Trust your students, when they feel trusted they usually respond in a positive way.
- Create an environment where they can experiment or research things and come to their own conclusions.
- Allow students open questioning around the topic this increases learning – admit you need to look something up, encourages them to do the same.
- Tell them you know they can do this – and they will be able to do this.
- Allow an atmosphere in the classroom where it is possible to say “I don’t get that” this allows all to move forward, especially if students start explaining.

#### **What do teachers do that discourage/disable student development and success?**

- Ignore the student assume they will not be making a valid point.
- Assume they will not have the right answer.
- By voice tone be amazed they have got it right – therefore holding them up to ridicule by the peer group.
- Not allowing the student to develop away from the “bad boy” image, always assuming he is the cause of the problem.
- Boring delivery – if you are bored, students will be bored.
- Expecting bad behaviour from a student or group of students.
- Providing work that is too easy, or too short in content.
- Handing out the answers instead of getting students to work it out for themselves.
- Not expecting them to succeed.

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