

List of Dispositions

Qualities Important to Future Teachers and Educational Professionals

A. Personal qualities important to the teaching/education profession

1. Possesses integrity
2. Is highly motivated
3. Displays perseverance
4. Exhibits self-control
5. Is punctual and reliable
6. Presents a professional appearance and demeanor
7. Accepts responsibility
8. Evidences high academic achievement
9. Takes initiative
10. Shows maturity of judgment
11. Demonstrates warmth and advocacy for children

B. Qualities important to collaboration

1. Establishes rapport with others
2. Works well with others and communicates respectfully
3. Values teamwork
4. Demonstrates a commitment to achieving team goals
5. Assumes appropriate roles in the collaborative process
6. Demonstrates effective communication skills
7. Demonstrates a respectful appreciation for diverse perspectives
8. Seeks to develop and maintain professional workplace relationships

C. Commitment to professional growth

1. Responds appropriately to supervision
2. Accepts constructive criticism and suggestions
3. Uses suggestions to improve skills and understanding
4. Strives to achieve competence and integrity
5. Reflects on/evaluates strengths and areas for improvement
6. Displays interest and curiosity in the learning process
7. Values life-long learning
8. Is a self-directed learner

D. Commitment to diversity and social justice

1. Demonstrates cultural respect and understanding
2. Displays sensitivity to ethnically, linguistically, cognitively, physically, socially diverse groups and individuals
3. Treats all people equally
4. Believes in equal educational/vocational opportunity
5. Advocates high and appropriate expectations for *all* students

E. Commitment to ethical practices

1. Maintains confidentiality
2. Is honest and trustworthy
3. Uses sound, informed judgment
4. Displays ethical behavior
5. Abides by legal mandates and ethical responsibilities