

Top Elements to Make a Great Teacher Website



1. Contact Information

Provide users with appropriate ways to contact you along with when and how you will be returning their communications.

2. Welcome Message

Keep it fresh and relevant by updating it at planned intervals and letting users know what you plan to accomplish for the week, month, semester and/or school year.

3. Teacher Bio/Photograph

Let visitors know your training and education, volunteer activities and accomplishments.

4. Syllabus/Description/ Objectives

Provide a detailed syllabus so that users understand the overall objective of the course and the steps that will be taken to accomplish the objectives.

5. Homework Assignments

Post homework assignments online to foster interactive learning and allow parents to participate in and better monitor their child's achievements.

6. Calendar of Events with Test/Quiz Schedule

Give students and parents the ability to effectively plan their time by posting test dates, class events and special projects well in advance of their due date by using the *Schoolwires* online calendar.

7. Learning Resources

Make your site a resource library by posting links to approved websites, articles and images. You will help to stimulate learning in students and your site will be a valued source for parents.

8. Classroom Rules and Policies

Your website is the one place where classroom rules and policies are available 24/7/365.

9. Worksheets & Handouts

By posting learning documents on your site, you ensure that every student—regardless of health or location—has the ability to succeed.

10. Resource Lists

Resources are helpful and by posting tools such as book lists, school supply lists and project supply lists to your site, you help to make your site a valuable and useful asset.

11. Parental Resources

Assist parents in gaining valuable information on a variety of topics by creating resource pages in your section.

12. Class Showcase/Class News

Keep your students, parents, peers and community members close to your class by posting important news, accomplishments and activities.

13. Activities to Energize Learning

Include interactive online tools to make your section dynamic and foster learning. Include tools such as Webquests and online pretests.

14. Awards & Recognitions

Recognize accomplishments, but for students who achieve and parents who go the extra mile.

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