



Behavior Newsletter

Is Your Classroom in Chaos or a Well-Oiled Learning Environment?

Research states, **ineffective** teachers begin the first day of school attempting to teach a subject and spend the rest of the school year running after students whereas **effective** teachers spend most of the first two weeks of the school year teaching students to follow classroom procedures.

The number one problem in the classroom is **NOT** discipline; it is the lack of procedures and routines. If no procedures are established, much work time will be wasted organizing each activity. Students will have to guess what to do. Undesirable habits and behaviors could develop and be hard to correct.

The effective teacher decides what activities will be taking place during the school year, then makes a list of the PROCEDURAL steps the students must follow to participate in these activities. Examples of some of the activities in which procedures will be needed are: entering the classroom, when the student is tardy, listening to and responding to questions, coming to attention, changing groups/activities, moving around the room during instruction time, when students finish work early, walking in the hallway, and dismissal time.

gree in which the teacher establishes good control of classroom procedures at the beginning of the school year. When students know procedures, they are more willing to do what teachers want. Teachers can then be exciting, creative, and informative with well-oiled learning environments!

“What Helps Students Learn”

“The first days of school”



Student achievement is directly related to the de-

Three Steps to an Effective Teacher

1. An effective teacher is a good classroom manager
2. An effective teacher designs lessons to ensure students reach mastery
3. An effective teacher has positive expectations that students will be successful

Questions or comments?
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Interesting Quotes:

- “I believe that every teacher can be effective.” -*The First Days of School*
- “The effective teacher is a good classroom manager.” -*The First Days of School*
- “Efficient; doing things right. Effective’ doing the right thing. The effective teacher affects lives”. -*The First Days of School*