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Amazing Teacher's Power's

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Hello members! Thanksgiving is coming up and AzHOSA wants to remind you to be thankful for the people in your life. Be grateful for your family and friends, but it is also important to think about your teachers. These may be your CTE teacher, your history teacher, your art teacher or even your HOSA Advisors. Whichever one it may be, make sure they know you appreciate them!

If you are not convinced of the Amazing Teaching Powers already, keep reading and you certainly will be! These facts about our teachers are just some of many that prove how wonderful they really are.

Teachers are not teachers because they want money

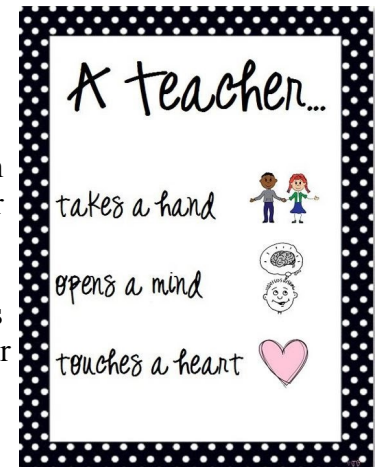
Many people choose to teach because they simply love it. According to teachhub.com, teachers are motivated by supportive leadership, family involvement in student's education, more help for students with trouble learning, high-quality curriculum and teaching resources, and collaboration with other teachers. In fact, in a survey of 10,000 teachers, money placed number eleven out of fifteen as the reason for teaching. Next time you think a teacher is just doing their job so they can get the paycheck, think again!

Teachers work just as much as, if not more than other people

Teachhub.com says that teachers work an average of fifty-three hours every week. That's more than many businesses allow as the maximum weekly hours! This time is spent in and out of the classroom, and before, during, and after school hours. The article says that five hours is actually spent on instruction, while the rest is used for discipline, planning, grading, and communicating with parents. Teachers waste no time, we promise it!

Teachers truly do care about their students

When a student seems to be experiencing a change in behavior or even comes to school hungry, teachers notice this and develop a concern for it. In the survey on Teachhub.com, the results showed that teachers have noticed a large increase in English Language Learners, students interfering with teaching because of behavioral problems, and students living in poverty. Even when things are not obvious to your peers, your teachers notice them in a heartbeat, and they feel a desire to help you in any way possible.



Teachers sincerely care about their students and love their job, and we need to appreciate this! AzHOSA members, be sure and say "thank you" to all of your teachers once in a while to remind them that they are wonderful. It will make their day! Happy November and Happy Thanksgiving AzHOSA members!



Past State/National Officer!

I am proud to introduce this month's past Arizona state officer Tania Munoz Saldana. In addition to being a past state officer, Saldana has also represented Arizona at the national level and served as the Postsecondary/Collegiate Board Representative for the 2014-2015 term. Tania's HOSA journey began in high school where she found her passion for healthcare. She served as the Secretary for Bradshaw Mountain High School and was elected Arizona HOSA Historian/Reporter from 2013 to 2014. Tania believes that HOSA was the best decision she made in high school in regard to joining clubs and organizations. Tania says her favorite memory of being a state officer was the week she went to Washington D.C. and attended the Washington Leadership Academy with her team. It allowed her to grow, find her true potential, and make valuable friendships. She recalls being shy before joining HOSA-Future Health Professionals but with the support of fellow members, Tania blossomed to the confident woman she is today. With that, she became self assured and determined to make a difference in people's lives and follow her dreams.



Tania Munoz Saldana
State Historian/Reporter 2013-14
National Postsecondary/Collegiate
Board Representative 2014-15

Today, Tania is pursuing a career in Nursing at Grand Canyon University in hopes of becoming a pediatric oncology nurse practitioner. Every summer, she works as a Certified Nurse Assistant in Prescott, Arizona at the Good Samaritan Society and serves the people of her community. Lastly, when asked what advice she would give HOSA members, Ms. Saldana said "Go for it, it's the best investment you can make and has many opportunities." We are extremely proud of Tania Saldana's accomplishments and we hope she continues to make a difference in people's lives.