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Humanities

Entry #2: Teachers These Days


School. This is considered a word that every kid dreads at some point in their lives. Well for me, it's different. Even though I hate waking up early in the morning, and coming home late to homework, I still somewhat like school. I <sup>also</sup> believe that it is very important. Since I was very young I was taught that school would be my #1 priority for the majority of my life. Since most of my family has only gotten high school diplomas, my parents have always wanted me to take that extra step and get a degree. Even though I'm only in high school, I think about this a lot and go to a college prep program to keep me on track, and to make this decision easier.

That's bc  
you're  
awesome!

what decision?  
Explain this

However <sup>it</sup> is hard for me to value and enjoy school when I have teachers that I feel don't have enough experience with kids our age, especially teenagers that have lived in <sup>New York City</sup> a big city like New York for all of their lives. I have had a couple experiences with teachers that I feel don't have enough experience to be a teacher. In 7<sup>th</sup> grade, I had a science teacher that became our teacher towards the middle of the year. She seemed like a good teacher in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade, but <sup>when</sup> as the 8<sup>th</sup> grade came along, it was a whole different story. She didn't know how to handle kids. When she would <sup>get</sup> mad she would throw temper tantrums, just like a little kid. It wasn't only her temper; it was also her style of teaching. Since I was here for most of 7<sup>th</sup> grade, I didn't know her that well. But when I got to 8<sup>th</sup> grade I also noticed that she wasn't that great of a teacher. It seemed like she would criticize you or make fun of you when you didn't understand something. She

Try to rephrase this sentence. Maybe she wasn't a good teacher as I thought she was.



people from there

would get annoyed and <sup>move</sup> moved on. I didn't learn much in 8<sup>th</sup> grade science, because <sup>half the time</sup> I

didn't know half of what she was talking about.

<sup>in</sup> Another experience, the teacher acted the same way... very childish. She also didn't know how to handle teenagers. If we wouldn't stop talking she would just let us out of class early, or if we were saying something she didn't want to hear she would plug her ears and say "LA LA LA LA". This is no way to act around teenagers because it is

very childish and they will just laugh at you (like we all did). From my experiences <sup>all of the</sup> ~~they~~

<sup>teachers</sup> ~~all~~ claimed that they've gone to the top colleges, and have taught in other countries. But

when they get into the class rooms none of <sup>this</sup> these shows. This is what I've noticed about teachers these days.

yikes! That's kind of negative, Aja.

I'm sorry you've been disappointed in your teachers in the past & I hope that your 9<sup>th</sup> gr. yr. will be different.

