



MY TOP 5 TIPS FOR NEW TEACHERS

Teaching is a challenging but incredibly rewarding career. Here are my top 5 tips to help new teachers thrive, contribute, have fun, and become the impactful professionals they want to be.

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TIP 1 For Teachers

**Learn from
Others—Don't
Reinvent the
Wheel**

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TIP 1 For Teachers

Great teachers borrow from each other. Have the humility to ask for help and seek support from experienced educators—it's a sign of strength, not weakness. Use their lesson plans, activities, and classroom strategies to build your foundation. Make small tweaks to fit your style, then share your improved version back—it builds collaboration and earns you respect.

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TIP 2 For Teachers

**Maintain
Professionalism
& Set
Boundaries**

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TIP 2 For Teachers

Even if some teachers around you take a more casual approach, hold yourself to a high professional standard. This is your chance to show that you take the job seriously and are committed to excellence. Also, set clear and healthy boundaries with students—they may resist at first, but in time, they'll respect you for it.



TIP 3 For Teachers

**Be Prepared
Every Single
Day**

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TIP 3 For Teachers

Teaching isn't a job you can "wing." Your students deserve a well-planned, engaging lesson every day. This builds trust with your students and school leaders. You won't be perfect—and that's okay. When you make a mistake, own it with humility and learn. Showing students how to handle setbacks with grace and problem-solving skills makes for a powerful role model.

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TIP 4 For Teachers

**Don't
Over-Schedule
Yourself**

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TIP 4 For Teachers

Newer teachers are constantly creating and learning a lot, fast —so give yourself space to breathe, grow, and set up systems to become more efficient. Leave time in your life for lesson prep, learning, and grading. Protect your evenings from overscheduling so you don't burn out before you even begin your career. This profession takes a great deal of focus and time during the foundational years.

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TIP 5 For Teachers

**Have Fun
Being
Yourself**

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TIP 5 For Teachers

When you can be yourself and enjoy teaching, your students feel it—and they respond in kind.

Building relationships through your natural and organic humor, interests, and enthusiasm makes classroom management and student relationships easier...and the learning environment is more enjoyable for everyone.

Every teacher has their own unique style, energy, and vibe.

That is good. Embrace you!

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I'm Phil Januszewski..

...a speaker for givers that are looking to show up to their lives less tired and more inspired. If you and your colleagues could use inspiration, motivation, and realistic steps towards flourishing, just DM me to start a conversation on how I can serve you and those you care about.



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