

# School and Teachers Professional

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#### **Abstract**

Teaching profession is most often characterized as a complex of professional ideas, attitudes, expectations, desires, but also prejudices and stereotypes, patterns and tasks formulated in work performance through professional behavior and behavior. Teacher is an important member of a society that, on the basis of the established education and relevant laws, has the role of influencing and shaping ideas, attitudes and patterns of behavior. It is the person who teaches and leads educated individuals to have an interest in acquiring and developing this knowledge. We address this issue in our contribution, focusing on the current position of the teacher in today's society.

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## 1 Introduction

In the teaching profession, personality characteristics, especially positively characterized character and volitional characteristics, value orientation, as well as requirements for private life have a significant role to play (Manniová, 2008). We also agree with the author's opinion. Teaching is a demanding profession, therefore it requires some form of management through certain moral principles, rules and principles. As this profession is actively confronting the teacher with pupils and their parents, collaborators, and other pedagogical corps, it is essential that these relationships that arise between them be ethical and therefore based on observance of certain moral principles, principles and principles. All these moral principles, rules, principles and requirements that are required and placed on the personality of the teacher are created by the school and can be translated into a code of ethics. Such application and observance of a certain order should lead to positive relationships between teacher and pupil and, in general, to good climate and workplace co-operation.

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Identity of a pedagogue is formed by: a) vocational training; (b) enhancing motivation in the performance of the teaching profession; c) in contact with pupils; (d) in contact with parents and other teachers. Similarly, as with the process of searching for personal identity, it is not possible to say clearly when this process is completed. However, it is difficult to specify precise time limits, as maturity can be achieved by every individual in another time period (Stup, Mareš, 2000). Vendel (2007) points out that high value is currently attributed to education. As the importance of education grows and becomes a factor in the quality of society, it is necessary for the teacher to be a person who is well prepared for this profession. Every profession requires a certain level of education and practice, but the job of a teacher is considered from the outset to be the one to excel in these spheres as it educates and educates our future. High demands are placed on the teacher's profession and defined in the individual categories on the basis of the so- qualifications qualifications. Based on the findings, it can be defined as a theoretical and experience-based eligibility to educate and educate children, young people and adults in the spirit of the demands placed on society.

In preparatory education, teachers' qualification begins to form and continues to gain pedagogical experience, thus increasing further education. The standardized requirements set by the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports should be met by a fully qualified pedagogue (Pisoňová et al., 2014). Experts have already pointed out in the past what are the quality requirements for teachers who consider their competencies, knowledge and skills to be important in the performance of their work. This knowledge has been dealt with by various authors in their publications. The Teacher's Teacher Requirement List was formulated by Kalhous and Horák (1987, p. 112, In Seberová, 2006) into a "teacher's desator: knowing how to communicate with pupils, adequately assessing the pupil's performance, correctly translating individual oral examinations, knowing the method of encouragement and punishment, and knowing it apply in class, know how to make decisions in standard and unusual situations, know and know how to apply the methods of explanation, persuasion and example in the education of pupils, know the basic methods of teaching and know how to choose adequate methods in their given situations, have a clear concept of education and education at school family and proving them to diagnose pupils, to understand the importance of family and school cooperation in current conditions."

Professionalization of the teaching profession is both a theoretical and a practical problem. Requirements for the teaching profession have changed and are constantly changing depending on society's needs (Hrmo, Miština, Krištofiaková, 2016). The issue of the teacher's profession and its definition is defined on the basis of various criteria and approaches. Still, in the teaching profession, the teacher should educate and educate his / her pupils and, by their example, shape their character and behavior. In order to be able to perform these difficult tasks, it is important to be an expert in his field, as well as in the field of pedagogy and psychology. A proper teacher should avoid curriculum education being limited to the ordinary dissemination of knowledge but its aim should be a thoughtful and creative personality. A teacher is a person who belongs to a social and assisting profession and a very important function is social. In common professions, the term "client" refers to the target group on which the service is oriented. For the teacher, the client is a child, respectively. students. The service the teacher carries out is their education and education at the same time, and thus makes the service of society, so society is also a teacher.

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In the first round of our survey, we found out what our respondents were motivating to become teachers. According to Zelina (1996), motivation is one of the key issues of education. Research has shown (Veteška, 2010) that motivation is a fundamental issue for the development of creativity, talent and the ability of each person. From our point of view, agreeing with expert opinions (Zelina, 1996; Manniová, 2008), the ability of teachers to motivate pupils is inadequate, especially at elementary and secondary schools. They do not have enough time and space for motivation and correct assessment, but only to fulfill the school plan without more interest to pupils and students. That is why we were interested in this topic and we paid attention to it in our survey so that we could prevent incorrect assessment of pupils in their practice and motivate them to motivate them to perform better.

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More than half of respondents said their expectations were met rather than failed (55.56%). The fifth (21.30%) answered "rather than yes". 17.59% of respondents answered unequivocally that their expectations regarding the teaching profession were fulfilled. From a teacher who must be professionally trained and specially qualified, the learning strategy, organization, realization and management of pupils' learning activity, the use of activating methodologies, and so on. Teachers need to be able to acquire pupils for learning, which is many times harder, because many of them do not want to learn, they do not want to overcome their own comfort, but they do not even succumb. As teachers are very much involved in the educational process and, above all, their level depends on them, we have asked them whether they have reservations about the current educational process.

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non-cognitive personality that can be developed in the context of education. They pointed out that it is important to ask pupils for their opinion, which would be based on arguments, which would lead to the development of their creative thinking. Asked teachers in this question pointed out the importance of an individual approach. Successful pedagogical activity presupposes pedagogical talent, as a potential structure of activity, presupposes pedagogical mastery as a structure of real abilities and presupposes a pedagogical tact as a structure of personality. The creative, educational and educational activities of a teacher, all of his activities, should be actively geared towards active learning, especially learning from text or reading, as well as comprehending the reading. The teacher gradually teaches the pupil to divide the text into micro-tiers and to evaluate the main information according to meaning and logic. It has to teach him to understand the text, every word, every expression. At the same time, the pupil has to learn to mark the points of support and to create his / her own plan of action. Nowadays, in pedagogical activity of teachers we encounter the multiple use of organizational forms in which frontal education is most often used as the most common form of teaching at elementary and secondary schools. Individual lessons usually consist of a whole, organically and methodically mastered. For the time being, the lesson remains strictly time-bound, even though the quantity of the lesson grows, as well as the level of information. Realizing activity on a teacher's lesson is exhausted, because he needs a high rate of tact, good psychological condition and resistance. This is one of the issues faced by teachers in the current school.

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