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## Teacher Efforts in Increasing The Learning Motivation of Tk Pertiwi Arcawinangun Students

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**Abstract:** This study aims to find out about the teacher's efforts to increase the learning motivation of students at TK Pertiwi Arcawinangun. The type of research used is descriptive field research. Data collection techniques used in this research are observation, interviews, and documentation. Observations made using participant observation and using structured interviews. The results of research through observation, interviews, and documentation state that the efforts made by the teacher to increase student learning motivation are the teacher providing ways such as giving learning contracts, applying habituation before the learning process, creating a comfortable learning environment, providing exemplary and learning motivation, using learning media, providing appropriate and varied learning methods, giving rewards to participants. students, and provide evaluations and scores.

**Keywords:** teachers, students, learning motivation

### A. Introduction

Teachers play an important role in education as well as the teaching and learning process. During learning, teachers and students have a reciprocal relationship as a result of the actions they take together. Because students will succeed when learning is influenced by a competent educator, he is very instrumental in the learning process for these students. Teachers have methods for teaching, directing, and encouraging students to learn. During the process of teaching and learning activities, the interaction between teachers and students will certainly be influenced by the style of teaching and guiding the teacher. In learning activities, the teacher gives attention, rules, rewards and punishments to their students. The attitude and behavior of the teacher will certainly be a role model that will be imitated by students. Educators also play an important role for the social, close to home, and scientific progress of students. Students will be motivated and able to provide opportunities for successful learning.

One of the most important dynamic aspects of the learning system is motivation. Underachieving students are often the result of a lack of student motivation to learn rather than a lack of ability. One of the most important factors in achieving educational goals is self-motivation as well as external motivation to learn. To achieve the learning objectives that will be achieved, it is very necessary to have a passion for learning in everyone, especially students. Student learning success will be determined by their learning motivation. To increase enthusiasm for learning, you can motivate while studying, otherwise low motivation to learn will result in low enthusiasm for learning. One of the schools in East Purwokerto District, Arcawinangun Village, Banyumas Regency is TK Pertiwi Arcawinangun. Through the

experience of observations, researchers saw a well-organized school atmosphere and various awards for the achievements of TK Pertiwi Arcawinangun students. At the school the interest in conducting research was because the interaction between teachers and students during teaching and learning activities seemed active and conducive. To prevent the class from becoming bored, the teacher plays an important role. To increase student motivation in class, teachers use learning tools and media.

## **B. Methods**

The type of research that will be carried out by researchers in this study is field research, that is, researchers will go directly to the field to conduct research and carry out directly to respondents in the research and the objects in the research, namely TK Pertiwi Arcawinangun. The research method used in this study is using qualitative research methods. Collecting data in this study using the method of observation, interviews, and documentation. The data analysis technique used in this study uses theory from Milles and Huberman, namely data reduction, data presentation, and verification or drawing conclusions.

## **C. Results and Discussion**

In order to increase student learning motivation, the teacher makes several efforts that are carried out directly in class through relevant learning materials and learning motivation through the use of learning media and encouragement to learn from the teacher to students. Students really need motivation in the ongoing educational process. Every learning activity carried out by students is very important in fostering enthusiasm for learning so that the learning process can take place well. This opinion is in accordance with that expressed by the Pertiwi Arcawinangun Kindergarten class teacher

Motivation is a very dynamic aspect of the learning process. Low student achievement is often the result of a lack of motivation to learn so they don't try to use their abilities, rather than the lack of ability itself. Students who have learning goals can demonstrate learning behavior. In this sense, the teacher provides insight or information regarding learning objectives from the beginning of learning.

Efforts made by teachers to increase motivation to learn very big influence in the process of teaching and learning activities. Based on the results of interviews with Pertiwi Arcawinangun Kindergarten teachers, the efforts made by the teacher to increase learning motivation have a big impact on their students. The success of a teacher in carrying out learning depends on the teacher's efforts to arouse the learning motivation of his students. In his opinion, to determine the level of success of students' learning motivation can be done with a strong drive, a sense of perseverance, tenacity, intelligence, and enthusiasm from teachers and students. Both internally and externally, students must be motivated to learn and have a passion for it. Efforts made by educators in expanding the learning inspiration of TK Pertiwi Arcawinangun students are as follows :

### **1. Make a Learning Contract**

The learning contract made in TK Pertiwi Arcawinangun was made and mutually agreed upon by the teacher and students. The purpose of making a learning contract is to make the

learning process in class run smoothly, comfortably, and in an orderly manner. The contents of the Pertiwi Arcawinangun Kindergarten learning contract are:

- a. Not fighting, taunting each other, and speaking harshly
- b. Honest repetition
- c. When the lesson is not talking and playing alone
- d. Before borrowing goods, permission must be obtained first
- e. Maintain the good name of the environment around the school
- f. Study hard at home and school

The effort to make this learning contract was carried out in order to improve students, especially students in class TK Pertiwi Arcawinangun, which is quite good because in practice the teacher and students mutually obey the learning contract.

This learning contract plays an important role in learning discipline and increasing high learning motivation. In practice, the making of learning contracts is carried out on the basis of teacher and student agreements by paying attention to learning objects, learning activities, strategies and learning methods.

## **2. Applying Habituation before the Learning Process**

Habituation before the learning process is important in educating students. Through repeated learning, both individually and in groups, habituation is the formation of attitudes and behaviors that are relatively sedentary and automatic. Habits that are done before starting learning are praying, greeting, checking attendance, providing motivation and apperception before learning takes place.

Based on the results of interviews with the Pertiwi Arcawinangun Kindergarten teacher, he said that in getting students to leave early in the morning on time for school, reading prayers before studying, reading asmaul husna, greeting teachers has been implemented in this school. Coaching and habituation of students to achieve goals is the goal of applying habituation before the learning process. It is expected that students really absorb the application of habituation which will eventually become a habit until later.

In a lesson the teacher has to prepare many things. Starting from preparing materials that will be taught during learning and things that can support the learning process. Preparation must be done by the teacher long before the lesson is implemented. Then the teacher can carry out the learning process. Before starting the lesson the teacher should carry out habituation that is useful for the discipline of students. Habituation done by the teacher before starting learning is praying, greeting, checking student attendance, providing motivation, and apperception.

## **3. Creating a Comfortable Learning Atmosphere**

The way the teacher conveys material, uses interesting learning methods, uses a variety of learning media, and students participate in learning activities both individually and in groups so that they can interact and discuss with their friends are all of that. part of creating a comfortable learning environment.

Other efforts can also be in the form of providing ice breaking which is useful for providing a comfortable and pleasant atmosphere for students. Providing ice breaking is one of the activities that can make the learning atmosphere more enjoyable. This ice breaking can

be used at the beginning of learning or in the middle of learning which can be in the form of games, quizzes, or other fun activities such as brain exercises.

Based on the results of interviews, ice breaking that is often used is brain gymnastics and games. This activity aims to eliminate boredom, boredom, and sleepiness in the class. The application of ice breaking is very capable of making students excited again in class.

#### **4. Memberikan Keteladanan dan Motivasi Belajar**

In learning activities, motivation can be considered as a general main drive within a person that causes learning. Motivation, both intrinsic and extrinsic, plays an important role in all learning. Students can develop initiatives and activities to relieve stress during learning activities with this motivation.

Teachers also have a role and responsibility to behave well towards students. Exemplary is a process for cultivating habits in the form of daily behavior at school. By providing exemplary behavior by educators for those who are educated, there will be encouragement for students to emulate the behavior of their teachers.

Providing exemplary and motivation from teachers to their students aims to move them to learn in order to achieve the desired goals, namely achievement and good attitudes. Providing motivation and praise such as when students dare to answer questions from the teacher will generate feelings of pleasure and confidence in students and can foster learning motivation.

#### **5. Using Learning Media**

Learning media is a tool used in cultivating experience to convey a message, thought, or thought through teaching materials that will be conveyed by educators to students. Whether or not an educational experience is achieved is influenced by several variables, one of which is learning media. Therefore, a teacher must be able to choose the right learning media according to the material to be delivered before using the media in the learning process.

One element that plays a very important role in the learning process is learning media. In learning, teachers usually use learning media as a means to transfer information to students so they can understand it. The use of learning media really helps the continuity of learning by handling and delivering learning materials.

Student learning outcomes are strongly influenced by the use of media in the classroom. The learning media used will be more interesting so that students can easily see it. For this situation educators take an important role in running the media. The presence of learning media provides an advantage to facilitate the educational experience. With advances in data and correspondence technology, educators in delivering material must keep up with these developments, educators must be able to use learning media that are interesting, fun, and in accordance with the needs of student progress. The following are the advantages of learning media for the learning process.

- g. Teaching will make students pay more attention, which will lead to better learning.
- h. Learning objectives will be more easily understood by students and mastered through clearer objectives in teaching materials.
- i. More than just verbal communication, more teaching methods so students don't get bored with the lessons.

#### **6. Providing Appropriate and Varied Learning Methods**

A learning method that focuses on achieving goals is called a learning method. It is possible that learning strategies in one class are different from learning strategies in other classes. Teachers can consider the following factors when choosing and determining learning methods as follows:

a. Goals to be achieved

The teacher who teaches must clearly know the purpose of the learning he is doing. Because these goals will become targets and directions for action in carrying out their functions as teachers.

b. Conditions and Characteristics of Student

Teachers focus on individual conditions and characteristics when recommending belaying strategies. A healthy state is a state that emphasizes body temperature and pressure and a position in which a person can relax. If students fail to make ends meet, the teacher will provide techniques that will help them succeed, such as demonstrations and material conversations.

c. Nature of Learning Materials

The method that can be used can be explained by the study material. The lecture method can be used to disseminate material in the form of information or facts. By using the discussion method, material related to the problem can be found. Material that requires skills can be conveyed by demonstration, simulation and practice methods.

d. Student Participation Rate

The learning approach or method used must focus on students. The teacher must carry out his role as a facilitator. Teachers not only learn in front of the class, but also have to assist students in solving problems during the learning process.

## **7. Giving Rewards to Students**

Appreciation is one of the ways in which someone gives appreciation to someone because they have thought of something, so that someone can be excited again in doing certain efforts and more enthusiastic in achieving something different. Giving prizes is done by praising the results obtained by students.

Students get rewards in the form of praise, thumbs up, happy smiles, and applause in addition to tangible goods. Teachers must provide effective and appropriate feedback, such as rewards, to increase student motivation in class. Students can take this award as a gesture of appreciation for their efforts. If students are given enthusiasm and support for learning, then student learning inspiration will be created.

## **8. Give Evaluation and Numbers**

Evaluation is an activity to obtain information about student learning outcomes as a whole. The motivation behind the assessment is to help cycle, progress and progress student learning outcomes and determine students' capacities in educational experiences. Evaluations carried out in schools usually use tests and award points.

Giving numbers is a method of determining value or priority in giving grades to students. Giving this number is a method for teachers in making decisions, especially in terms of determining grades or priorities for students to be tested. The purpose of giving numbers is so that students can be motivated by their learning outcomes. For students who get high grades or scores these students will maintain their learning, whereas for students who still get

unsatisfactory grades, students will motivate themselves to study even harder so they will get better grades.

#### **D. Conclusion**

In this research, it can be concluded that the teacher's efforts in increasing the learning motivation of Pertiwi Arcawinangun Kindergarten students are making learning contracts in class, applying habituation before the learning process, creating a comfortable learning environment, providing exemplary and learning motivation, using learning media, providing appropriate learning methods and varied, giving rewards to participants. students, and provide evaluations and scores. In addition, teachers always use appropriate learning methods and media that are included in learning materials to increase student motivation. At Pertiwi Arcawinangun Kindergarten, teachers have worked hard to increase students' learning motivation.

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