TESTIMONIALS

The value of service learning is well documented in testimonials from faculty, students, and community partners. Here are a few statements from Lone Star College-CyFair students:

This opportunity gave me so much confidence in becoming a teacher. I learned to be calm and to be flexible. All the children had different learning capabilities and this is very common in everyday classrooms. I will definitely use some of the ideas I used when I get to my own classroom. All the experiences I have seen in the children’s corner are very important to see what I should expect one day.

- Selena Morales

I wanted to express my gratitude for this service learning opportunity because it gives me a chance to give back to my community and be grateful for the privileges I have. I have so much fun learning in your class and this serving learning opportunity helps apply all the skills I have acquired in your class and I could not ask for more as a college student who is always trying to figure out why things work the way they do.

- Emma Nguyen

Saturday was amazing and I loved being able to explain to young children how to do things and seeing the excitement on their face. I realized that when explaining things to children you have to really break-it-down. I loved how the parents were not afraid to participate with their kids. Our team had to work together to help the kids. A great experience.

- Erin Spivey

The Stemstastic Stations experience will help me as a future educator in a few ways. The experience taught me that every lesson plan should be well thought out and should be modified for all personality types in the classroom. Another thing that I learned through this project is that team cooperation is vital. All team members need to do their part or else the success of the students might be impacted by a group member’s lack of work. The last thing I learned is that things are not always going to go as planned and that is okay. Teachers need to be able to modify things and change them as they go throughout the day, almost like trial and error.

- Lynette Botes

After having the opportunity to work with these amazing little learners I have started to formulate the basis of my teaching philosophy:

“I believe my purpose in teaching is to promote learning, it is to create an environment where my students feel secure, motivated, inspired, confident, and ready to succeed in school and in the outside world.”

- Mara Gilyard