

# **MY PERSONAL TEACHING METAPHOR**

**Michael Ricke  
SDSU EDFN 745  
Summer 2012**

# An Effective Teacher is like a Good Auto Mechanic...

A GOOD AUTO MECHANIC CAN WORK ON ANY MAKE OR MODEL OF VEHICLE ON THE MARKET – REGARDLESS OF THE MANUFACTURER, MODEL, YEAR, ENGINE SIZE, OR CONDITION.



AN EFFECTIVE TEACHER WILL WORK WITH EVERY STUDENT THAT WALKS INTO THEIR CLASSROOM – REGARDLESS OF RACE, CREED, ETHNICITY, ABILITY, OR MOTIVATION.



# An Effective Teacher is like a Good Auto Mechanic...

A GOOD AUTO MECHANIC  
HAS A SHOP FILLED WITH  
TOOLS, CAR LIFTS, PARTS,  
FLUIDS, AND MANUALS.



AN EFFECTIVE TEACHER  
HAS A CLASSROOM  
FILLED WITH STUDENT  
WORK, MANIPULATIVES,  
BOOKS, TEXTBOOKS,  
DESKS AND CHAIRS.



# An Effective Teacher is like a Good Auto Mechanic...

A GOOD AUTO MECHANIC USES A WIDE ASSORTMENT OF TOOLS TO MAKE THE NECESSARY FIXES ON THE AUTOMOBILES THAT COME IN THEIR SHOPS.



A GOOD TEACHER USES A VARIETY OF TEACHING TOOLS AND STRATEGIES TO MAKE SURE THEY HIT ALL THE SPECIFIC LEARNING NEEDS OF THE STUDENTS IN THEIR CLASSROOMS.





# An Effective Teacher is like a Good Auto Mechanic...

A GOOD AUTO MECHANIC  
USES DIFFERENT  
DIAGNOSTIC CHECKS TO  
FIGURE OUT WHAT IS  
WRONG WITH A VEHICLE  
AND TO GET IT TO RUN  
SMOOTHLY.



AN EFFECTIVE TEACHER  
USES DIFFERENT TYPES OF  
ASSESSMENTS (SUMMATIVE  
& FORMATIVE) TO CHECK  
FOR STUDENT  
UNDERSTANDING TO MAKE  
SURE THEY COMPREHEND  
THE INFORMATION.



# An Effective Teacher is like a Good Auto Mechanic...

A GOOD AUTO MECHANIC NOT ONLY DEALS WITH THE VEHICLE ITSELF, BUT THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE TO MAKE SURE THEY UPDATE THEM ON THE WORK BEING DONE AND TO REASSURE THEM THEIR VEHICLE WILL BE IN FINE WORKING CONDITION.



AN EFFECTIVE TEACHER NOT ONLY WORKS WITH THE STUDENT, BUT THEY ALSO COMMUNICATE WITH THE PARENTS OF THE STUDENT TO MAKE SURE THEY ARE AWARE OF THE WORK BEING DONE AND REASSURE THEM THAT THEIR CHILD IS ON THE RIGHT TRACK.



# An Effective Teacher is like a Good Auto Mechanic...

A GOOD AUTO MECHANIC  
TAKES PRIDE IN THEIR  
WORK AND DOES THE  
BEST TO TURN OUT THE  
BEST POSSIBLE PRODUCT  
FROM THEIR SHOP.



AN EFFECTIVE TEACHER  
TAKES PRIDE IN THEIR  
WORK AND DOES THEIR  
BEST TO TURN OUT THE  
BEST POSSIBLE STUDENTS  
FROM THEIR CLASSROOMS.

