

Chris Detweiler

Star Teacher

My dad, Chris Detweiler, is the teacher at my school who inspires me the most. He is an influential teacher and coach, not just to his students and players, but also to his own kids. I was in his Physics, Astronomy, and Earth/Environmental class.

It was definitely odd at first to have my dad as my actual teacher, but it made me realize how good of a teacher he is. My father constantly motivates me to do better in school, athletics, and life in general.

He has taught me how to be hardworking and represents someone who is hardworking, too. All throughout the year, he is doing something productive, even during the summer. Since I was in 8th grade, he would always ask if I needed to go work on softball. Just because of him pushing me to be better almost every day is how I improved so much. It wasn't just the sport of softball he helped me with, but he also tried helping with basketball and tennis. Every time that I would ask for help, he never said no or said that he was busy and always tried to make time for me.

The same thing went for school. My dad is a big believer in doing well in high school and college. He is also the type of parent to get mad that I got an 89 in one class. But really, the difference between getting a B or an A in a class can sometimes be big. My dad is smart, so he was able to help me with almost any subject. If he wasn't sure about the subject, he would ask someone to tutor me.

The fact that he has always been hard on me about everything is why I became successful in school and softball. I am thankful that he has pushed me even when I found it annoying or hated it. But overall, my dad has really influenced me to become hardworking, and to succeed academically and athletically.

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