

CLASSROOM ORDER AND ORGANIZATION

Student teachers should have developed an understanding of the principles underlying wholesome classroom organization. During student teaching, the task is to learn to apply those principles to establish and maintain an orderly learning environment. The key to an orderly classroom is to keep students profitably engaged in meaningful learning. Discipline will result from positive, constructive, and reasonable treatment of students.

The facilitating teacher should talk with the student teacher about maintaining an orderly classroom. During the observation period the student teacher should make notes on various actions of students and plan a course of action for handling a problem if it should develop. **THE STUDENT TEACHER MUST NOT ADMINISTER PHYSICAL PUNISHMENT OR BE A WITNESS TO PHYSICAL PUNISHMENT.** If a problem becomes so serious as to require this course of action, the facilitating teacher or principal will deal with the offender.