

#TEACH ME YOU DID

We are gathering to share food and inspiring stories about important teachers in our lives.

Why?

While there is no job more sacred in our society than that of a teacher, for many years their profession has been under attack. Teaching has been devalued and dehumanized. Even though teachers have one of the most important jobs in society, they're barely compensated for it and have to deal with bureaucracies that force them to "teach to the test" rather than to the best ability and enlightenment of their students.

Benjamin Franklin said that "An investment in knowledge pays the best dividends," but the way things are going now, we'll be lucky to have public schools ten years down the road. In order to stand up for teaching and teachers and the importance of public education, we're going to tell the stories of teachers that have woken the Force inside of us.

Some of the most important and most rewarding relationships in the Star Wars universe are the teacher/mentor-student relationships. This year, from May the Fourth (Star Wars Day) to May 25th (the 40th anniversary) of the first Star Wars film, "A New Hope," we are sharing stories about teachers in our lives who have woken the Force inside of us and given us a New Hope for our lives and our world.

How?

We are telling stories in person and on social media of teachers we are grateful for....teachers who have taught us to stand up to bullies of all kinds. The types of teachers that would be proud of us to join our heroic characters from Obi-Wan Kenobi to Carrie Fisher as Princess Leia (the iconic face of the Resistance). As we tell those stories, we are going to leave them under the hashtag #TeachMeYouDid.

For good old-fashioned Star Wars fans, all you need to do is invite some of your friends over, get some food going, geek out about Star Wars and then take it up a notch by looking at those Jedi master teachers in your real life who have woken you up to a New Hope for yourself and for our world. Those who have taught you not just to work for your own interests, but for the interests of all: those who taught you to remember that the Force connects us all.

We also invite parents, students, teachers, school staff and friends to host dinners on or off the school grounds, celebrating a cultural phenomenon that binds us across generations, and the lessons we carry in and out of the classroom.

Want to host?

Just follow these simple guidelines and we will be well on our way.

- › Sign up to host at 100days100dinners.us/TeachMeYouDid. They will have a plethora of tips and tricks how to host on their website.
- › Have good food available.
- › Watch "Star Wars: A New Hope," if you so desire.
- › Tell a story of a teacher who inspired you to stand up for what's right. Post stories about them on social media under the hashtag #TeachMeYouDid.
- › Have fun!



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