

# The Teacher's Manifesto

I am \_\_\_\_\_.

I am part of a group of never-stop-til-they're-at-the-top teachers who are not one ounce like people who "just teach."

We don't identify with the status quo, other educators who are phoning it in, blaming others or the ones counting down to retirement.

In fact, we are a rare breed who answered the teaching call and refused to accept anything less than full responsibility for the performance of our students and schools.

We are education radicals who aren't afraid of high standards, expectations and accountability. In fact, we expect it.

If you ask the typical educator, they tell you that we need to get real about our expectations. But the truth is, everyday we see formerly failing students and schools rise up and change their trajectory.

Just like that.

And it's happened through first class skill, first class professionalism and first class heart.

We are THE ELITE ONES and we don't "just teach."

## The Elite Ones

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