Be nicer.

Orhan Advice to Faculty In my opinion, the best way to connect with students is to show them that faculty care and they actually want students to succeed and achieve what they work for.

I think when professors only come to class because they want to lecture and do not spend time to check on students, it makes a gap between the professor and the student.

Dhay Advice to Faculty



Faculty need an open line of communication other than email. I honestly hate sending and receiving emails. If there were a better way to connect with students, it would be face-to-face. Minimal office hours don't cut it. Some professors only have 2 hours that they are open for office hours.

Daris
Advice to Faculty



I would tell faculty to be present when students come to them. Don't act like it's a burden out of your day or that they're bothering you. When a student comes to you, they're already making themselves vulnerable, and they're already nervous enough.

Sydney Advice to Faculty



A few already do this, but calling students by their names subliminally allows for a more personal connection. When one feels cared for, that naturally lifts ambition and drive for students. Additionally, specifically calling on students not only helps the teacher and students explain content better but also helps open up the classroom to more questions and concerns from people that may be too reserved to ask for help and who may not have the time to stop by the office. I personally feel that an environment like this helps to instill a lasting ambition towards education that will help positively change the future.

Seth Advice to Faculty



To the faculty that want to connect better with students, I would tell them to be more interactive with students in the way that makes students interested. The professors that I have thoroughly enjoyed made sure to go out of their way to connect with their students on a personal level. I believe that when a student does well on an exam professors should email them and let them know how impressed they are. If you see one of your students doing something great, email them about that, too. I have been more interactive with those professors that contacted me in such a way.

Joanna Advice to Faculty



Faculty should encourage students more to come to their office during their office hours, whether it is about a grade in the course or a concept that they don't understand, because I still feel scared and a bit intimidated to even ask a question.

Manzar Advice to Faculty

