

Leadership: A Definition

- Leader vs. Manager: Two different things!
- Leadership is complex
- Good Leadership is motivating a group of people to act towards achieving a common goal

"The function of leadership is to produce more leaders, not more followers." -Ralph Nader

Characteristics of a **Great** Leader

- Authentic/Honestly
- Vision
- Motivation
- Serving
- Empathy
- Creativity
- Communication
- Thoroughness
- Managing
- Team Building
- Taking Risks
- Improving

"It is better to lead from behind and to put others in front, especially when you celebrate victory when nice things occur. You take the front line when there is danger. Then people will appreciate your leadership." - Nelson Mandela

Different Ways to be a Leader

School, Work, Home....
Respect your “position” but never let it define you

- SUPPORT OTHERS
- Take the lead on a project
- ...or even better, create and implement your own project
- Speak up on what matters (but don't talk just to talk)
- Advocate through testimony, letters to the editor, emails
- Support teammates on the field (soccer, baseball)
- Join a Board of Directors, Student Government, or other “leadership” groups
- Volunteer to Chair a Committee or Working Group
- Lead a Presentation

*“To handle yourself, use your head;
to handle others, use your heart.” – Eleanor Roosevelt*

Leadership in Different Settings

Some examples.....

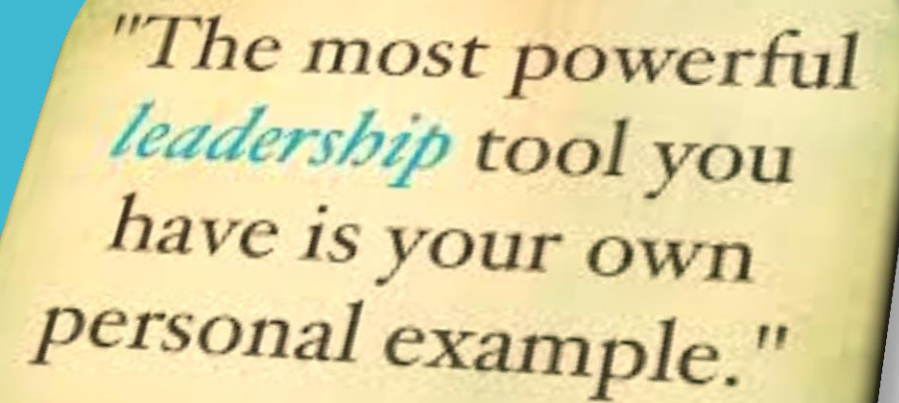
- Work
 - Help start a nonprofit
 - Co-chair of Work/Life/Wellness Committee
 - Lead of different working groups
 - Initiate training and social gatherings for office
- School
 - Student Government
 - Testify at Board of Education Meetings
 - Talk to Principal about ideas
 - Leader on Playground 😊
- Community
 - Flotilla Staff Officer in U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary
 - Board of Directors (USSAAC/ISAAC); PTA President
 - Captain of Soccer Team
 - Motivate/Encourage Teammates (soccer, karate)

*"You do not lead by hitting people over the head –
that's assault, not leadership." – Dwight D. Eisenhower*

Thank You!

Questions?

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"The most powerful
leadership tool you
have is your own
personal example."

John Wooden