

Leadership & Caring

“The most important thing in good leadership is truly caring.”

Dean Smith

A leader is someone who makes an impact, but they can't do it alone, they have created their habits that set them apart from others.

1. They build.
2. They connect.
3. They influence.

...lead through their actions and their examples.

The core 11 Habits of Great Leaders

1. Be Committed to Excellence

Everything you do should be done at the highest possible level.

Your ability to be great and focus on working at the process will create results.

Your commitment to excellence will set an example and inspire others.

2. Be Caring

Spend time getting to know everyone and show that you care.

Treat people with respect and how you would want to be treated.

People won't listen and follow you until they know you truly care.

3. Be a Person of Character and Integrity

Your character is what you do and who you are. Consistently display honesty and strong moral principles.

Your character defines you and your integrity determines how you are perceived.

This earns respect and trust from those around you.

4. Be Authentic

Be authentic because no one else is better at being you than you.

Once you fake it, people notice you aren't authentic and you lose their trust.

5. Be Emotionally Intelligent

Take time to understand/manage your emotions – recognize the emotional states of the people on your team.

Being emotionally intelligent allows you to navigate complex social environments through change.

In the process, you build stronger relationships.

6. Be a Communicator

Take time to listen to everyone, get feedback, and communicate with them.

You have to spend time communicating expectations and connecting.

If you fail to communicate, you've failed to execute.

7. Be a Problem Solver

People respond to a positive, constructive, and directed environment.

It is easy to be negative, but hard to stay positive.

Positivity widens your attention span and gives others the feeling that anything is possible.

8. Be Resilient

Accept that there will be challenges.

Face challenges head-on and bounce back from setbacks.

Resilience is key to maintaining a positive attitude and focus in the face of adversity, enabling you to lead effectively under any circumstances.

9. Be a Person of Standards

Excuse-making is contagious.

If you start making excuses, then so will others.

Hold yourself and others accountable to the highest standard of excellence.

10. Be Prepared

Failing to prepare is preparing to fail.

You can't control the outcome or what happens in every situation, but you can prepare how you walk into those situations and your mindset.

The result of preparation: It's easier for you and your team to adapt when needed.

11. Believe in the Team and Yourself

Be firm when it comes to the culture and values.

People are either all-in or they are out.

Believe in the foundation that you are setting and communicating. withstand the reality at hand.

Set high standards, do not tolerate mediocrity or poor performance