

# Character Community Foundation of York Region



## Traits of Successful Leaders



## 1. Professionalism

- Knowledge and Skill
- Competent
- Conduct

## 2. Good Decision Maker

- Decisive
- Demonstrates Sound Judgment
- Listens to understand different points of view and takes advantage of the intelligence and experience of others
- Forward Looking





## 3. Humility

- Considers service to others ahead of self
- Self-Confident and Empathetic

## 4. Credibility

- Honest
- Trustworthy
- Integrity
- Consistency





## 5. Effective Communicator

- Good Speaker
- Passionate
- Believable
- Care & Concern for People

## 6. Interpersonal Savvy

- Good at analyzing people
- What makes them tick? (Morals and Values)
- What makes them respond?
- Give credit where it is due – builds trust and loyalty





## 7. Personal Commitment & Ability to Inspire Commitment

- Best effort
- Lead by example – “Walk the Talk”
- Commitment to continuous improvement and honest self-evaluation
- Reputation
- Do you care about me?

## 8. Positive Attitude

- We all have "Junk in the Trunk"
- Ability to contribute to a positive work environment





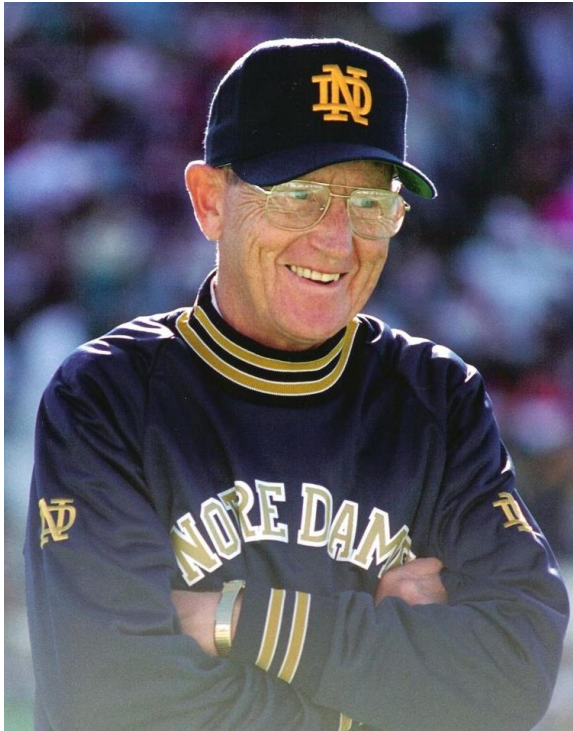
## 9. Team Player

- How can I help?
- Recognizing and appreciating other team members
- Focus on helping your team be successful

## 10. Sense of Humor

- You need it in this business!





## 3 Universal Truths

- Can I trust you?
- Are you committed?
- Do you care about me?

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