## Cochrane High Leadership 9 Course Outline Lisa Gordon-Reece

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"Act as if what you do makes a difference.

It does." William James

## Course Description:

This course is designed to help students in the various skills, attributes and knowledge required for the successful management of self as an emerging leader. It will focus on helping students to apply these skills in service to their school and community.

Topics within the course will include: communication, problem-solving, organization, negotiation, accountability, team-building, goal-setting, mentoring and service.

"Be the change you want to see in the world"

Mahatma Gandhi

## Assessment:

- -your mark is based on various leadership activities and a fantastic attitude! Some of the activites and assignments that you might do this semester are:
  - 1. Participation-includes readiness, attitude and involvement in class and school events
  - 2. Inspirational Quote Poster/Banner Assignment
  - 3. Reflections -much of what we learn comes from reflecting upon our experience or an experience of someone else. On a regular basis, students will be required to write a brief reflection on a prompt or answer questions as a reflection on an activity or event

- 4. Lead a class activity-this is called an "icebreaker activity" to warm up the class
- 5. Present a video clip/magazine or newspaper article that relates to leadership
- 6. Make a presentation of or write a letter to a significant leader in their lives
- 7. Develop a Community Service Project-A significant aspect of leadership is taking responsibility for contributing to and enhancing one's community. Students will be responsible for completing 5 hours of community service as part of their leadership course.
- 8. Personal Leadership Development Plan or Road Map of my Life- presentation/reflection on personal plan for growth and development
- 9. Random Acts of Kindness
- 10. As a class, plan a school-wide activity to improve our school community
- 11.Mentoring

Community Service Hours and Mentoring 25% Class activities, mentoring and assignments 75%

I look forward to working with you in Leadership. Please bring a great attitude, a huge smile and big ideas! Oh, and some tools to work with-ie. paper, pen, binder, dividers and your laptop.

A great leader lies in all of us and it begins with small acts and words of respect and kindness-make this your daily practice.

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