LEADERSHIP SKILLS: DEVELOPING FLEXIBLE AND VERSATILE INDIVIDUALS
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Everyone can be a leader but every person must be molded to acquire leadership skills that can bring him or her a holistic development. It is an advantage to have a skill when it comes to leadership because this comes with other skills and abilities such as management skills, multi-tasking, being able to work under pressure, interpersonal skills and dealing with people.

Some people say that leadership begins at home because parents are the best mentors when it comes to leadership as they provide the earliest influence on children. Also, children imitate what adults do that is why they are able to adapt on how their parents act as the authority at home.

Michael McKinney (2017) said that by modeling leadership in their own lives, parents profoundly affect the kind of leaders their children become. It helps to see all of this in the long term, because the big-picture view assists in smoothing out the immature peaks and valleys and helps keep goals on track.

Schools also have an essential role in developing leadership skills because school is one of the sectors in the community which nurture profound individuals. The school head has a responsibility for it because he/she should meet the needs of the students for their growth. It can be attained by implementing worthwhile activities that will cultivate the leadership skills among students and not just isolating them in the four corners of the classroom.

Further, the school head may have projects or activities that can be extended to the community so that the students will be exposed to the real-life situations in which they could apply their sense of
leadership. A community service could be one of the training grounds for them to be good leaders even when they are still young.

Community has also its roles in producing leaders because it has its own problems, and some people can self-declare that they are community leaders by being part of the solution. Doing an action or being part of the community service for youth development, economic growth, saving the environment, being volunteers, etc., is already bringing out the sense of leadership in one's self.

The ability to be a good leader is very important most especially in career development. Also, having these skills can produce flexible and versatile individuals that can contribute to the progress of the society. But always remember, a true leader doesn't only develop themselves but also nurture others and inspire them to be leaders for the betterment of the society.

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