QUALITIES OF AN EDUCATIONAL LEADER

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Leaders are somehow play crucial role in the development of the school specifically the school administrators. Here are the following qualities that need to acquire by a school administrator.

a. CALMNESS - School administrators expect to meet shifting circumstances and are steadfast when things go south. It is important for school administrator to have a sense of being the right person at the right time. For example if they encounter rough seas in their respective school they can calmly address the problems that confront them.

b. FAIRNESS - People are often willing to work incredibly hard and make great sacrifices, if they perceive their leader is fair. It is important for administrator to be fair to the members of the faculty and staff to earn their respect. I think much of follower’s loyalty toward their leaders comes from this perception.

c. GOAL SETTING - Leaders are natural goal-setters. Administrators should constantly massage their lists of long-term and short-term objectives. They must make modifications to their lists and to the time frames for accomplishing the tasks if needs arise.

d. GOING FIRST - As a leader he/she must physically lead his men into battle without regard for his own safety. As administrator, your focus is entirely on finishing the task effectively and efficiently and must often present in doing the task or at the point of attack. This willingness to take
any risk is expected to a leader in order to make his rank and file amenable in obeying his orders without hesitation.

e. MAKING ORDER OUT OF CHAOS - Best leader are able to tactic chaotic circumstances. As administrators in a certain institution, if misunderstanding arises, as a leader you need to compartmentalize the problems, and give rational instructions that achieve order.

f. PREPAREDNESS - Best leaders are highly organized. As administrator, you must know that being organized is a key aspect of achievement. You must anticipate what your followers will need in order to accomplish the task before them. They should also insist on preparedness at all levels of their operations.

g. SIMPLIFICATION - Outstanding leaders give simple orders that their followers are able to understand and execute. It is important for the school administrator to acquire the ability to breakdown complex tasks into simpler ones because it is a hallmark of a good leader.

At the end of the day we need leaders who will take no risks to go down in history as having lost battles or failed to bring their people through crises. Best leaders are also like chess players that they must sight situations and imagine the possible results of their decisions. If school administrators acquire the above-mentioned qualities definitely they can solve all the problems that may arise in their respective schools.

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