

A Student Leader ACTION Rubric

Student leaders strive to nurture and empower all students to make a difference in their schools, communities and world. A student leader displays integrity, cooperation and respect toward self and others.

Definition of a Student Leader, WASC Board 2007

TRAIT	Actions that make a POSITIVE difference	Actions that make a NEGATIVE difference.
<p>Integrity: sticking to a strict moral or ethical code; what you do when nobody is looking.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cleaning up after yourself ▪ Recognizing ideas as possible ▪ Saying “hi” to people ▪ Following words with actions ▪ Stepping out of your comfort zone ▪ Encouraging people to try things ▪ Letting go of your confidence to help others ▪ Helping people work out their differences ▪ Doing something without being told ▪ Changing something for the better ▪ Helping everyone AND anyone out ▪ Not letting the same problem happen twice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cleaning up someone else’s mess ▪ Sharing happiness ▪ Making others feel welcome ▪ Compromising with others when disagreeing ▪ Doing what is asked of you ▪ Doing right when doing wrong is easier ▪ Getting rid of your “cool card” ▪ Asking permission before you do something ▪ Being a friend ▪ Taking everyone’s word into consideration ▪ Telling the truth ▪ Being kind in every situation
<p>Cooperation: acting together for a purpose; willingness to help and be a part of a team.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Listening to each other ▪ Giving your best effort ▪ Following instructions, directions, rules ▪ Being open minded ▪ Helping someone who is stuck ▪ Accepting your teammates ▪ Applying ideas ▪ Thinking before you speak ▪ Showing curiosity ▪ Talking something over with your group ▪ Not faking like you are paying attention ▪ Mediating 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Adding ideas to other ideas ▪ Sharing work equally ▪ Motivating people ▪ Doing more than your part ▪ Problem solving together ▪ Leading when it is needed ▪ Developing positive relationships ▪ Being a positive force ▪ Being flexible ▪ Giving options in a positive way ▪ Waiting your turn, patience ▪ Wanting to do excellent work

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<p>Respect: for self</p> <p>actions and attitudes showing appreciation & value toward self.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Trying something you thought you could not do ▪ Eating healthy and exercising ▪ Being safe ▪ Smiling ▪ Changing yourself in positive ways ▪ Setting high standards ▪ Rewarding yourself ▪ Pushing yourself to achieve and working hard ▪ Not being too hard on yourself ▪ Being who you want to be ▪ Trusting yourself more and friends less ▪ Staying confident 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Staying up late so you can't give your full effort ▪ Being careless ▪ Telling yourself you are not worth it ▪ Not sticking to your values or lowering standards ▪ Giving up ▪ Slouching
<p>Respect: for others</p> <p>actions and attitudes showing appreciation & value toward others.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Standing up for the kid who gets teased ▪ Sitting with someone new at lunch ▪ Encouraging people ▪ Learning to respect the views of others ▪ Being kind even when it is really hard ▪ Inviting people to things ▪ Apologizing when you are in the wrong ▪ Supporting the beliefs and ideas of others ▪ Showing an attitude of appreciation ▪ Trusting people ▪ Calmly disagreeing ▪ Showing up to cheer people on 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Laughing at people ▪ Not accepting others for who they are ▪ Getting mad and doing things uncalled for ▪ Criticizing ▪ Aloofness ▪ Yelling, bullying, teasing and ignoring
<p>Empowering others:</p> <p>giving away power; enabling others to lead; building people up; instilling confidence in others.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Giving up positions and roles to others ▪ Staying calm and positive ▪ Sharing experiences with nervousness with someone who is nervous ▪ Complimenting others ▪ Letting everyone be heard ▪ Believing in others ▪ Telling a joke that is not at anyone's expense ▪ Giving advice and helping someone achieve a goal ▪ Jumping out of your shell and helping others to do this too ▪ Organizing clubs for other people ▪ A simple smile ▪ Being polite and introducing yourself ▪ Noticing the good that people do and telling them about it ▪ Making people feel important ▪ Making someone the leader of the pack ▪ Saying helpful things ▪ Comforting others ▪ Explaining to others how good being a leader can be ▪ Bribery (but in a good way) ▪ Backing up and giving the spotlight to someone else ▪ Making people feel needed ▪ Helping someone persevere ▪ Giving someone a thumbs up ▪ Just taking a piece of the conversation ▪ Changing your perspective about people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Using put downs for humor ▪ Correcting people in a mean way ▪ Not showing people how to work through a problem ▪ Blaming people when things don't go right ▪ Not believing others ▪ Leaving people to handle their own problems ▪ Avoiding others different from you ▪ Not letting someone be a part of the group ▪ Making people feel bad and eliminating their self-confidence ▪ Having an "all about me" attitude ▪ Using mean words, looks or actions ▪ Only planning activities you like ▪ Not intervening in negative situations