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# Building Your Confidence as a Leader

Virtual Collaborative Student Government  
Leadership Retreat

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## Confidence in Leadership

1. What is the earliest leadership responsibility you can remember having:

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From this I learned: \_\_\_\_\_

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2. What are some barriers, challenges, and obstacles that you may face in your role?

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3. What are ways to overcome barriers, challenges, and obstacles for your role?

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4. Confident leaders have a \_\_\_\_\_ attitude. I practice a positive attitude through \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ creates \_\_\_\_\_.

The enemy of confidence and self-esteem: \_\_\_\_\_!

Turn your \_\_\_\_\_ into \_\_\_\_\_.

The \_\_\_\_\_ is in the \_\_\_\_\_.

5. Your Gold Watch Ceremony

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6. Your Campus Legacy

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*“Choose to make your imagination your ally. You do have a say about what pictures live in your head—and you can choose the most positive images to shape your life.” Jane Seymour, Actress*

7. Practice \_\_\_\_\_ to build confidence.  
\_\_\_\_\_ those things that you claim \_\_\_\_\_ over  
that you \_\_\_\_\_ now, or that you will have in the \_\_\_\_\_.

8. Say \_\_\_\_\_ out loud \_\_\_\_\_ times per day.  
My Daily \_\_\_\_\_:

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9. Watch for \_\_\_\_\_ moments and opportunities.

10. Five (5) Key Points to Confidence in Finding Your Purpose

a. \_\_\_\_\_  
*“Obstacles are those frightful things you see when you take your eye off your goal.” Henry Ford*

b. \_\_\_\_\_  
*“Whatever you can do or dream you can, begin it. Boldness has genius, power, and magic in it.” Johann Wolfgang von Goethe (1749-1832)*  
*“Make mistakes while the stakes are not too high.” David A. Kelly*

c. \_\_\_\_\_: \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_  
*“You are never given a wish without also being given the power to make it come true.” Richard Bach, Illusions*

d. \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_  
*“Opportunity is missed by most people because it is dressed in overalls and looks like work.” Thomas Edison, 1847-1931*

e. Be \_\_\_\_\_; have no \_\_\_\_\_;  
pursue your \_\_\_\_\_; and...

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*“Here is a test to determine if your mission on earth is finished: If you’re still alive, it isn’t.” Richard Bach, Illusions*

*“Some people say I have attitude - maybe I do. But I think you have to. You have to believe in yourself when no one else does – that makes you a winner right there” Venus Williams, Tennis Champion*