

Working Definition of Leadership

Leadership is being **aware** of what is happening around you and **choosing behaviors** that help your group to achieve its goals. A goal of Middlesex School is to be a community that lives by the values of honesty, kindness, gratitude, respect and courage.

A student demonstrates capable leadership when he or she:

- Is aware of him or herself within the context of the group and can identify how his or her behavior impacts the group.
- Is aware of other members of the group and can articulate how others' individual behaviors impact the group.
- Chooses behaviors for him or herself that help the group function effectively.
- Helps other group members to be aware of their behaviors and how those behaviors impact the group
- Harnesses the group's energy and orients it towards a positive outcome.
- Initiates activity that elevates others towards a worthy goal.