



Why Leadership Skills are Important

No matter where you go to college or go to work, you will use leadership skills on a daily basis.

Here are some ideas:

1. Join a club and stick with it. Serve on the board or as an elected officer.
WHY? Colleges love to see that you are consistent and dedicated.
2. Don't have a certain type of club? START one!
WHY? First of all, there's a need. And secondly, it's a good way to show your leadership skills. Be sure to mention it on your college application.
3. Become a mentor: This is a good way to demonstrate leadership and to make a difference for a child. See if there is a Big Brother/Big Sister chapter in your community, or talk to the counselor or one of your teachers to see who might need a helping hand.
4. Are you good at fundraising? Perhaps the local library or animal shelter needs help. Good leaders are creative—look around for ways to organize a yard sale, a book drive, an auction. If you are successful, you will show your leadership skills and just think how great that will be for everyone...including you!
5. Leaders emerge every day. Do the right thing and use your skills to make a difference.

What's your plan for becoming a leader?