

The Leader in Me™

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Suffield Elementary

Monthly Newsletter and Home Activity

How can we have Leadership roles at home?

Each new school year brings opportunities for academic growth and growth in all areas of development. Although children must be knowledgeable when they graduate, they must also be healthy, engaged, responsible, and caring people. One of the best ways to help your child realize his or her worth and leadership potential is to provide an opportunity to lead.

Most Leader in Me Schools offer student leadership roles as a way to teach:

- Responsibility.
- Leadership.
- Contribution.

Leadership roles can also be used at home.

To begin:

1. Talk with your child about the leadership role he or she might be interested in at home.
2. Discuss why he or she is interested in the role. Ask what leadership qualities your child has that will help. Ask how he or she will handle homework or other commitments with this new-role responsibility.
3. Together, discuss, write, and sign the paper detailing the leadership behavior and expectations of the role.

Give your child a week or so to adjust and then discuss how it's going. This may open a conversation on how to handle things that are too easy or too difficult. Express appreciation and celebrate success!