



What people are saying about The LeaderShape® Institute...

(in 2007)

LeaderShape gave me the confidence and reinforcement I needed to run my chapter this year. One of the most interesting activities we did at LeaderShape was determining what kind of leader you are. We split up into four different groups, based on our leadership styles, and learned how to lead most effectively within our style of leadership, and how to approach and work with other different types of leaders.

Emma Harte
Lehigh University

This past week I was challenged, stretched, let down, and brought higher than I ever dreamed possible. In the words of Margaret Mead, "Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful committed citizens can change the world; indeed it's the only thing that has." I know that I can make a difference in this world.

Christine Mathews
University of Missouri

The LeaderShape Institute not only taught me how to follow my vision and lead with integrity, but it also taught me a lot about myself. I found out how passionate I am about certain issues and the risks I am willing to take to leave the world better than I found it. It also taught me that nothing is too big to dream as long as I follow my heart and lead with integrity.

Danielle Winslow
University of Colorado

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The challenge course taught me that by working with others and trusting them, I can achieve much more to better myself and the group.

Erika Hannah Lebovich
Carnegie Mellon University

Overall my LeaderShape experience was, in short, amazing. It is a program that expands one's mind while at the same time opening one to see the worth of every individual and their opinion.

Michelle Raucci
University of Illinois

Thank you again—for the values I have learned, a reborn confidence in myself, the great friends I made through attending LeaderShape, and an overall rewarding experience.

Kristina Jorge
University of Connecticut

I learned a lot about myself in that week—about my strengths, weaknesses, and passions—and how to use those to make me a more effective leader.

Hannah Keith
Oklahoma State University

I have learned about the process of leadership—to make a commitment to a vision, to develop relationships to bring that vision into reality, and to sustain a high level of integrity.

Michaela Brown
University of Nebraska-Lincoln

I have attended sixteen other leadership conferences, and this was by far, the best I have ever participated in. The valuable skills I learned will help me become a better leader and citizen.

Anne Meyer
Washington University

After attending The LeaderShape Institute, I realized that I learned so much about myself. I learned about my learning and leading styles, how important integrity is to being a good leader and how in order to be a good leader one must be a team player.

Justin Green
St. Lawrence University

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At LeaderShape we focused on how we can become better leaders in the various organizations that we are a part of and on a more personal level, how to live a life of integrity! I thought that this was a more intimate conference where we truly got to live out these principles and encourage each other in our goals.

Mollie Baxter
University of Idaho

I learned many new things about myself this week. We began the week learning about our own leadership personalities, and then took the process a step further to find in ourselves what we are truly passionate about.

Megan Mahoney
University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

The week at LeaderShape was a week I will never forget. I will cherish my memories and what I learned there for a lifetime. I hope and plan to live by the creed of leading with integrity.

Ryan Rash
Haskell Indian Nations University

After attending The LeaderShape Institute, I've realized that if I am passionate and dedicated, I can achieve anything. I have been better prioritizing my time and staying true to my core values since returning home.

Karissa Myers
Millersville University of Pennsylvania

I would have never thought that this week of being in session could have such an impact on me and my personality. To be honest, during this week I have gotten to know myself better than I have ever known myself before and my goals for my future are as clear as they have never appeared to me before. That alone is a sign that I am already a better leader. I now know what I want to do and even owe myself to do in my life. I can be certain that I am not the only one whose attitude towards one's own destiny went through such a positive change.

Elisabeth Kager
Marietta College

LeaderShape was truly a life-changing event for me and I will always carry the things I learned there with me.

Tricia Runkel
Indiana University-Bloomington

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After attending The LeaderShape Institute, I've realized that I've learned many things about myself and how others perceive me as a leader. This week was very helpful for my own personal growth as an individual. The entire week was an eye-opening experience and more than I could have ever wished for.

Ryan Applegate
Elmhurst College

I went into the week telling myself to be open-minded because I knew that I didn't know everything about leadership. Now that this week is over and I am flying home, I'm realizing that there is an immense amount of learning that I can always do to help improve my leadership skills.

Janene Winton
University of Central Florida

After attending The LeaderShape Institute, I've realized that I've learned so much about myself. I found out what type of personality and leader I am. I explored my life passions and shared them with other people.

Andrew Huynh
American University

This past week at LeaderShape, I've gained tools to help me interact with all different people in many different situations. I have learned about the importance of leading with integrity and staying true to my values, whatever the cost. And, most importantly for myself, I've learned that I knew myself better than I ever knew, and therefore gained self-confidence in who I am as a leader and as a person.

Emily Prifogle
Indiana University-Bloomington

I have realized that I've learned how to be an effective leader, in not only my organization at school, but for the rest of my life. I have been able to develop leadership skills that I never thought myself capable of. The week truly changed my life and I feel that I can now move forward and bring positive leadership skills to every part of my life. I never expected to feel the way I do now about this experience.

Carly A. Guest-Williams
Ivy Tech Community College of Indiana

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These are the kind of people you never forget because they make dreams possible. I always felt like anything could be accomplished with a positive attitude, and that's what they are for me; that optimism.

Caitlin Byrnes
Maryland Institute College of Art

The lessons and insights I took away from my week with LeaderShape have helped me in my experiences in the many organizations I am involved in as well as my co-operative working experience (a part of requirement for our undergraduate program at Kettering University.) I have gained an ability to now look at leadership and experiences in a new, unique point of view.

Kristen Winter
Kettering University

One week might seem short, but it was enough for a lot of us to change our perspective and attitude about life.

Fifi Saba
East Tennessee State University

It is neat to think that every week, 60 motivated students leave LeaderShape and head back to their communities ready to make a difference.

MJ Paradiso
Northeastern University

The things I learned about myself through other people and the leaders at the institute are almost indescribable. The institute really has changed my mind about the way I go about doing things and how I can better myself and leading abilities through other people.

Drew Moore
University of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign

On July 17, 2007, I began the most inspiring and motivational week of my life at LeaderShape. My expectations were blown out of the water and I am certain I will never forget the lessons I learned or the people I met. The entire experience is simply phenomenal.

Amanda Revelo
Medaille College

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The challenge course helped all of us bond even more. I now understand that that part of the week was to help us build trust with one another, a key ingredient to good leadership.

Ashleigh Bauman
Rollins College

One of the first steps we took to understand ourselves was to reflect on our core values and emblaze them on a shirt. It sounds so simple, but it was the first time in my life that I took the initiative to understand what makes me, me: respect, trustworthiness, faith and balance.

Shaun McDonald
University of Toledo

When we were asked to step outside our box and be something that we normally aren't I took the challenge and embraced it. I decided to exhibit traits about myself that I knew were there, but were not exposed to people regularly. This has made it possible for me to step outside of my box in my everyday life as well.

Raechel Matyas
University of Michigan-Dearborn

LeaderShape took the things I have learned at other conferences and moved that knowledge to the next level.

Gabriel Holdwick
Adrian College

Never have I seen a group of totally random individuals develop into a family in a few days. This experience only helps to show that a true leader can work with anyone that he/she meets.

Justin Swank
Washington and Jefferson College

Without LeaderShape's curriculum, experienced leaders, and a support group of peers I would not have learned the value of being able to communicate and work with a diverse group of people, leading a life with integrity, and have the ability to express my thoughts in a clear manner.

Emily Wilk
Loyola University

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For me, this was one of the best experiences of my life. The LeaderShape program not only helped me define the vision I have for the future, but it also gave me the tools to see that vision through.

Audra Ragan
University of Minnesota

After attending LeaderShape, I felt such a strong sense of pride in my generation. The other young leaders at the conference will surely do great things. Personally, my whole leadership philosophy has changed as a result of attending LeaderShape and I plan to lead with more integrity in the future.

Cristina Burrill
St. Norbert College

From attending The LeaderShape Institute I've learned so much about myself and why I do the things I do. I have grown so much as a young adult both emotionally and intellectually. This experience has changed my life in so many ways.

Susan Lamprecht
Salt Lake Community College

I have been to many leadership conferences and meetings, but this one was by far the most in depth, detailed, illuminating, and fun. I made many new friends while learning more about myself and how I work with others.

Brian Thomas
University of California-Berkeley

The experience has changed me as a person, a student, and a mother. I hope to spread the message to others in hopes that I may inspire someone else to be a leader and make a difference in their community.

Esther Earbin
Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis

LeaderShape sparked me up to believe in myself and believe I could make a difference in my country, my continent and the world.

Emmanuel Mensah
Dartmouth College

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We joked at the LeaderShape conference that it is impossible to truly describe your experience. I have come to discover this is no joke. The process and tools that LeaderShape utilizes, as well as the amazing faculty, has transformed the lives of the 27,000 lives and counting. I am very proud to say that I have been given the opportunity to go through this process and I hope that every student who dreams big will be able to develop their skills with this Institute.

Daniel Jensen
Goucher College

It was an incredible experience. I honestly came out of it with a new and better focus for my life. They really helped me find and focus my passion in life.

Rob Johnson
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

This summer you provided me with the opportunity to discuss perceptions on leadership and integrity. You gave me the chance to step up and step out of my comfort zone and because of that week I am changed for the better.

Amber Wilson
University of North Carolina-Wilmington

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