

# Leadership: Raising Our Game

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Youth sports have a positive impact on the lives of millions of young people each year. However, evidence indicates that the positive benefits of participation in sport are dependent on the quality of adult leadership in the program (Pg. 35).



# What is Leadership?

- There are no universal definition for leadership.
- Leadership is like happiness and love – we will know it when we see or feel it.
- Leadership is the lifting of a man's vision to higher sights, the raising of a man's performance to a higher standard, the building of a man's personality beyond its limitations – Peter Drucker



# Leadership is VISION

- **The best vision is insight - Malcolm S. Forbes**
- **You must know yourself & your organization**
- **Know where you are as a team or organization**
- **Knowing the past and present, will help to create goals for the future**



# Leadership is COMMUNICATION

- **Effective communication also includes good listening skills**
- **Experts say 70% of our communication is nonverbal**
- **Be mindful of communication barriers**



## Leadership is COMMUNICATION ...Cont.

- **Know your audience – e.g. if a coach tells a boys & girls team “you all played horrible today, its awful”; what will the reaction be?**
- **Cooperative-Style Communication is most effective, when compared to the Command or Submissive-Style**



# Leadership is Decision-Making

- No Leader know it all
  - Consciously Incompetent
  - Unconsciously competent
  - Unconsciously incompetent
- Use the Shared Decision-Making Model
- Empowerment increases commitment & participation

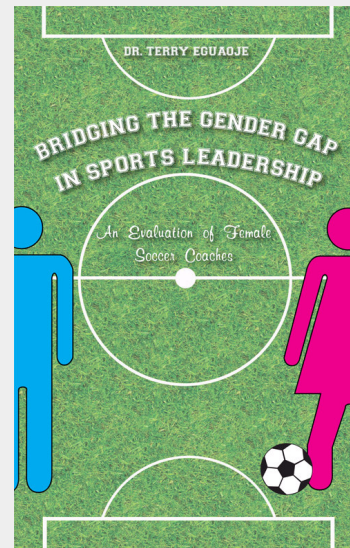


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**QUESTIONS ?**

